March 30, 2022

MEETING NOTICE

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
JOINT WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE
WITH CITIES OF GILROY AND MORGAN HILL

Members of the Joint Water Resources Committee:
District 3 Director Richard Santos, Committee Chair
District 1 Director John Varela, Committee Vice Chair
Hon. Marie Blankley, Mayor, City of Gilroy
Hon. Dion Bracco, Council Member, City of Gilroy
Hon. Rene Spring, Council Member, City of Morgan Hill
Hon. John McKay, Council Member, City of Morgan Hill

Valley Water Staff Support of the Joint Water Resources Committee:
Rick Callender, Chief Executive Officer
Carlos Orellana, District Counsel
Michelle King, Clerk, Board of Directors
Melanie Richardson, Asst. Chief Executive Officer
Anthony Fulcher, Senior Assistant District Counsel
Rachael Gibson, Chief of External Affairs
Don Rocha, Deputy Administrative Officer
Aaron Baker, Chief Operating Officer, Water Utility
Vincent Gin, Deputy Operating Officer, Water Supply Division
Heath McMahon, Deputy Operating Officer, Water Utility Capital
Bhavani Yerrapotu, Deputy Operating Officer, Treated Water Division.
Greg Williams, Deputy Operating Officer, Raw Water Division
Kirsten Struve, Assistant Officer, Water Supply Division
Hossein Ashtktorab, Recycled & Purified Water Manager
Miguel Silva, Associate Engineer II
Elise Latedjou-Durand, Senior Environmental Planner
Tony Mercado, Public Information Representative II
Eva Sans, Assistant Deputy Clerk II

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District Joint Water Resources Committee has been scheduled to occur at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2022.

Zoom Meeting Link: https://valleywater.zoom.us/j/86491656667

The meeting agenda and corresponding materials are located on our website: https://www.valleywater.org/how-we-operate/committees/board-committees.
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Joint Water Resources Committee
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Teleconference Zoom Meeting

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9:00 AM
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1. CALL TO ORDER:
   1.1. Roll Call.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.
   Notice to the Public: Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on any item not listed on the agenda should access the "Raise Hand" tool located in Zoom meeting link listed on the agenda. Speakers will be acknowledged by the Committee Chair in order requests are received and granted speaking access to address the Committee. Speakers comments should be limited to three minutes or as set by the Chair. The law does not permit Committee action on, or extended discussion of, any item not on the agenda except under special circumstances. If Committee action is requested, the matter may be placed on a future agenda. All comments that require a response will be referred to staff for a reply in writing. The Committee may take action on any item of business appearing on the posted agenda.

3. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OFFICERS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
   4.1. Approval of January 5, 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee Meeting Minutes.
       Recommendation: Approve the minutes.
       Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
       Attachments: Attachment 1: 010522 JWRC Meeting Minutes
       Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

5. ACTION ITEMS:
5.1. South County Water Reuse Collaboration and Implementation. 

Recommendation: A. Receive update and discuss information on Technical Working Group discussions related to South County Water Reuse Collaboration; and
B. Provide feedback and recommendations as necessary.

Manager: Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138
Attachments: Attachment 1: PowerPoint
Est. Staff Time: 15 Minutes

5.2. Water Supply Master Plan and South County Opportunities.

Recommendation: Receive information on the Water Supply Master Plan and South County opportunities.

Manager: Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138
Attachments: Attachment 1: PowerPoint
Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes

5.3. Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation.

Recommendation: Receive information on Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation.

Manager: Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138
Attachments: Attachment 1: PowerPoint
Est. Staff Time: 15 Minutes

5.4. Review 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee Work Plan.

Recommendation: A. Review the 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee Work Plan, and make adjustments as necessary; and
B. Select a date for the next Joint Water Resources Committee meeting.

Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
Attachments: Attachment 1: 2022 JWRC Work Plan
Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

5.5. Committee Member Reports.

6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.
This is an opportunity for the Clerk to review and obtain clarification on any formally moved, seconded, and approved requests and recommendations made by the Committee during the meeting.

7. ADJOURN:
7.1. Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, July 6, 2022.
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Joint WRC with Cities of Gilroy/Morgan Hill/SCRWA

SUBJECT:
Approval of January 5, 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee Meeting Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:
Approve the minutes.

SUMMARY:
In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, a summary of Committee discussions, and details of all actions taken by the Committee, during all open and public Committee meetings, is transcribed and submitted to the Committee for review and approval.

Upon Committee approval, minutes transcripts are finalized and entered into the District's historical record archives and serve as historical record of the Committee’s meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: 010522 JWRC Meeting Minutes

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
JOINT WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE
(CITY OF GILROY, CITY OF MORGAN HILL AND VALLEY WATER)

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2022
9:00 AM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.

A meeting of the Joint Water Resources Committee (City of Gilroy, City of Morgan Hill, and Valley Water) (Committee) was called to order at 9:00 a.m., via Zoom teleconference.

1.1. Roll Call.

Committee Members in attendance via Zoom teleconference were Mayor Marie Blankley and Councilmember Dion Bracco representing City of Gilroy, Councilmember Rene Spring and Councilmember John McKay representing City of Morgan Hill, and District 1 Director John L. Varela and District 3 Director Richard P. Santos, Chairperson presiding, representing Valley Water and constituting a quorum of the Committee.


City of Gilroy staff in attendance: S. Vaziry.

City of Morgan Hill staff in attendance: C. Ghione. Councilmember Gino Borgioli, Alternate Committee Representative was also present.

Public attendees: Mr. Doug Muirhead, Morgan Hill resident.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Chairperson Santos declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one present who wished to speak.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

3.1. Approval of October 6, 2021 Joint Water Resources Committee Meeting Minutes.

The Committee considered the attached minutes of the October 6, 2021 Joint Water Resources Committee meeting.

It was moved by Councilmember Spring, seconded by Councilmember McKay, and carried by roll call vote to approve the minutes as amended. Mayor Marie Blankley abstained.

4. **ACTION ITEMS.**

4.1. Receive Update on South County Water Reuse Collaboration.

Recommendation:  
A. Receive and discuss information on Technical Working Group discussions related to South County Water Reuse Collaboration; and  
B. Provide Feedback and recommendations as necessary.

Ms. Kirsten Struve, Assistant Officer, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and Mr. David Tucker, Associate Engineer, reviewed the Technical Working Groups discussions and activities.

The Committee received an update on the Technical Working Group’s (TWG) discussions regarding opportunities for continued collaboration and opportunities to evaluate options to supplement South County’s water supply with recycled and purified water. Staff recapped the TWG’s discussions and activities conducted September through November. December discussions included next steps in developing revisions to the existing partnering agreements, water reuse and purification opportunities, the benefits of developing a single comprehensive agreement, options available for legal agreements to advance South County water reuse, and a review of the various partnering agreements from 1999 regarding agency collaboration for non-potable reuse. The TWG plans to continue its review of the partnering agreements and will be discussing master planning, future capital planning, volume of water, options for managing water reuse, storage considerations and impacts on water delivery in South County, opportunities and options to expand water reuse to Morgan Hill, and water quality issues. The Committee discussed future topics of discussion including roadmap development, regulatory issues, and public communication.

Mr. Doug Muirhead, Morgan Hill resident, requested the Committee consider increased communication with the public on the benefits of recycled and purified water.
The Committee made the following requests:

- Staff to review the August 23, 2021 staff report and clarify verbiage and Committee recommendations with regard to the information contained in the January 5, 2022 staff report.
- Provide future TWG reports in a written and/or visual format.
- Provide Committee members with an executive summary and copy of all partnering agreements related to expansion of South County recycled and purified water.


Recommendation:  
A. Review the 2021 Joint Water Resources Committee Work Plan, and make adjustments as necessary; and  
B. Select a date for the next Joint Water Resources Committee meeting.

Ms. Natalie Dominguez, Assistant Deputy Clerk, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachment 1.

The Committee noted the items contained in the 2022 Work Plan for future agendas and requested to add the following item:

- Include a new standing item for Committee Member Reports.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS.

None.

6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.

Ms. Natalie Dominguez, Assistant Deputy Clerk II, reviewed Committee requests as follows:

Regarding Item 4.1:

- Staff to review the August 23, 2021 staff report and clarify verbiage and Committee recommendations with regard to the information contained in the January 5, 2022 staff report.
- Provide future TWG reports in a written and/or visual format.
- Provide Committee members an executive summary and copy of all partnering agreements related to this subject matter.

Regarding Item 4.1:

Include a new standing item for Committee Member Reports.
7. **ADJOURN.**

7.1. Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 9:00 a.m., on April 6, 2022.

Chairperson Santos adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m., to the next meeting scheduled to occur at 9:00 a.m.on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, to be called to order in compliance with the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor’s Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor’s Executive Order N-08-21.

Natalie F. Dominguez  
Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Approved:
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Joint WRC with Cities of Gilroy/Morgan Hill/SCRWA

SUBJECT:
South County Water Reuse Collaboration and Implementation.

RECOMMENDATION:
A. Receive update and discuss information on Technical Working Group discussions related to South County Water Reuse Collaboration; and
B. Provide feedback and recommendations as necessary.

SUMMARY:
The Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) and the Cities of Gilroy and Morgan Hill have a long history of collaboration to ensure the utilization and expansion of water reuse in South County. Since 1999, South County water recycling has been anchored by several partnering agreements that have promoted the development and expansion of the South County Recycled Water System. Valley Water established the Joint Water Resources Committee (Committee) with elected officials representing the Cities of Gilroy and Morgan Hill to pursue collaborative relationships and agreements to support recycled and purified water expansion.

In August 2021, the Committee recommended the establishment of a Technical Working Group (TWG) of each agency’s staffs to further evaluate the opportunities and constraints of:

- One Comprehensive Water Reuse Agreement,
- Consistent water reuse terms and conditions countywide,
- Provisions to advance water reuse and purified water production, distribution, and wholesaling, and
- Cost sharing accords to integrate water conservation, water reuse, and water supply.

The Committee’s recommendation was subsequently approved at a joint meeting of the Valley Water Board and the City Councils of Morgan Hill and Gilroy. At the request of their Mayor, the Gilroy City Council adopted a slightly amended resolution that included provisions to advance water reuse and purified water production, distribution and wholesaling in South County that is beyond the South County Recycled Water Authority and includes water purification.

The inaugural meeting of the TWG took place in September 2021 and the Committee received its initial update of TWG activities in January 2022. The TWG has met monthly and virtually since September 2021. For this update, staff will present our interagency discussions on South County
recycled water planning; opportunities and challenges to strengthen and enhance non-potable and potable water reuse; and options to update our legal agreements to improve water reuse in South County. The presentation will highlight the TWGs recent examination of our 1999 and 2006 Producer-Wholesaler Agreements and discuss prospective additions and revisions to bring these approved provisions current.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: PowerPoint

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138
JWRC January 2022 Meeting

First South County Collaboration Update

- TWG Discussions
- Future Topics
- TWG Feedback
TWG January 2022 Meeting

Discussion I - Producer-Wholesaler Agreement

- ✔ 1999 Agreement
- ✔ Developer Opportunity
- ✔ JWRC Feedback
TWG February 2022 Meeting

Discussion II – Producer-Wholesaler Agreement

- JWRC Feedback
- 2006 Agreement
- Revision Discussion
Committee Direction to TWG

- Staff to review August 2021 staff report and clarify Committee recommendations.
- Provide TWG reports in a written and/or visual format.
- Provide Committee with executive summary and all partnering agreements.
TWG March 2022 Meeting

Discussion III – Producer-Wholesaler Agreement

- Revision Outline
- Master Planning
- JWRC Discussion
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COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Joint WRC with Cities of Gilroy/Morgan Hill/SCRWA

SUBJECT:
Water Supply Master Plan and South County Opportunities.

RECOMMENDATION:
Receive information on the Water Supply Master Plan and South County opportunities.

SUMMARY:

The Water Supply Master Plan 2040 (Master Plan) is Valley Water’s guiding document for long-term water supply investments to ensure water supply reliability for Santa Clara County through the year 2040. The Master Plan, adopted by the Valley Water Board of Directors (Board) in 2019, identifies Valley Water’s level of service goal “to develop water supplies to meet at least 100 percent of average annual water demand during non-drought years and at least 80 percent of average annual water demand in drought years.”

To ensure Valley Water achieves its level of service goal, the Master Plan recommends a three-pronged strategy and a portfolio of projects to be invested through 2040 to meet future county-wide demand:

1) Secure existing supplies and infrastructure. This includes securing local water rights, pipeline maintenance, dam retrofits, treatment plant improvements and other projects to maintain existing system, as well as actions to secure imported water supplies.
2) Expand water conservation and reuse. This includes expanding the use of drought-resilient supplies and conservation, because they are going to be most reliable in the future under a changed climate. These generally are local supplies, not dependent on rain, and are reliable during droughts.
3) Optimize the use of the existing system to increase operational flexibility. In some years, supplies exceed demands. Additional facilities would increase our flexibility to use or store these excess supplies and therefore Valley Water’s ability to respond to outages or operate the system during challenges like droughts or water quality problems.

These three elements together provide a framework for a sustainable and reliable future water supply and strike a balance between protecting what we have, investing for the future, and making the most
of the existing water supply system.

As part of the on-going master planning process to address future uncertainties with demands, supplies, and proposed projects, the Master Plan established an annual Monitoring and Assessment Program (MAP) to evaluate and report to the Board new information and updates on projects to help inform the annual water rate-setting process, Capital Improvement Program (CIP), and budget processes. The update gives the Board an opportunity to adjust the Master Plan in response to changing conditions. The MAP 2020 provided updated demands that considered new growth and development information, with forecasted demands lower than what was in the Master Plan. The MAP 2021 evaluated how different projects may help ensure Valley Water maintains a reliable water supply into the future considering future climate, regulations, and updated project information.

Support for South County
Valley Water maximizes water use efficiency programs and operates a complex and interconnected water supply system to conjunctively manage supplies from surface water (imported and local) and groundwater to meet county-wide demand. Following this integrated management approach, Valley Water's past and future water supply investments are designed to provide water supply benefits to the whole county. Similarly, the projects identified in the Master Plan were developed to benefit the county as a whole and therefore South County, even when they are not physically located in South County. For instance, the recycled and purified water project will recharge purified wastewater at Los Gatos groundwater recharge ponds, which will in turn free up imported water supplies that are currently used in Los Gatos ponds to be used in South County recharge facilities. The storage projects, including Pacheco expansion and Seismic retrofit of several local reservoirs, will allow Valley Water to store more surplus water during wet years and increase the flexibility to use those supplies more effectively during water shortages, such as droughts. These projects support South County's water supply reliability even though South County will not get direct supply from them.

Opportunities in South County
The Master Plan also recommends projects that provide direct supply to South County or that are located in South County. The Delta Conveyance Project (DCP) is a state-led project that aims to develop new diversion and conveyance facilities in the Delta to restore and protect the reliability of State Water Project (SWP) water deliveries. Valley Water is currently a project partner and is considering potential project investment to secure Valley Water's existing SWP supply. Some of the additional supply provided by DCP would be used in South County recharge facilities. In addition, through the Master Plan, Valley Water is evaluating a new South County recharge facility to allow for quicker Llagas Sub-basin groundwater recovery post-drought. Valley Water is also evaluating the feasibility of a Flood-Managed Aquifer Recharge (Flood-MAR) program in Santa Clara County. A Flood-MAR program, if implemented, would incentivize land owners and managers to increase the recharge of stormwater and excess streamflow on open space. If deemed feasible, the Flood-MAR program would include projects in South County.

Collaboration and Coordination
Valley Water has enjoyed great collaboration with South County on many issues to advance Valley Water's goal of providing safe and clean water to Santa Clara County. During the development of demand projections for the Master Plan and the 2020 MAP, Valley Water worked closely with South
County’s planning departments to understand their growth assumptions and how they may impact future demands. To help reduce water demand, Valley Water has partnered with South County on promoting water conservation over time. South County agencies were among the first to answer the Board’s current drought-related call for water use reduction. The past and ongoing collaboration and coordination provide opportunities for mutual understanding and partnership toward achieving Valley Water’s level of service goal for the county.

**Next steps**

Valley Water will continue to work with stakeholders across the county to use the Master Plan and annual MAP reports to guide its long-term water supply planning efforts and inform the Board on investment decisions. This process includes monitoring project costs and benefits, water demands, climate change science, policy or regulatory actions, and making adjustments to the water supply investment strategy as needed to ensure a reliable water supply for the county.

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Attachment 1: PowerPoint

**UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**
Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138
Water Supply Master Plan and South County Opportunities
Goals of Water Supply Planning

Comprehensive evaluation of Valley Water needs and goals, and investment strategies to ensure long-term water supply reliability.
“Ensure Sustainability” Strategy

Secure
existing supplies and infrastructure

Expand
water conservation and reuse

Optimize
the use of existing system
Master Plan Recommended Projects

• Baseline Projects
• Delta Conveyance Project
• Additional Conservation & Stormwater Projects
• Potable Reuse
• Pacheco Reservoir Expansion
• Transfer-Bethany Pipeline
• South County Recharge

1 Dam seismic retrofits, Rinconada Water Treatment Plan reliability improvement project, 10-year pipeline rehabilitation program, Vasona pumping plan upgrade, 100,000 AFY water conservation savings by 2030, and approximately 25,000 AFY of non-potable recycled water.
MAP 2020 and 2021

Track Water Supply Master Plan implementation and provide mechanism to update the implementation strategy as needed.

Historic and Forecasted Demands

- Historic
- MAP
- Master Plan

Water Use (TAF)

- 2040: 389 TAF
- 2045: 342 TAF

Climate Change Evaluation

Update project risk assessment

Investment Portfolio Analysis

Project Updates
South County Opportunities

• Delta Conveyance Project
• South County Recharge
• Flood-Managed Aquifer Recharge (Flood-MAR) Program
• Anderson Seismic Retrofit
• Pacheco Reservoir Expansion
• Collaboration and Coordination
QUESTIONS
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM
Joint WRC with Cities of Gilroy/Morgan Hill/SCRWA

SUBJECT:
Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation.

RECOMMENDATION:
Receive information on Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation.

SUMMARY:
On June 9, 2021, the Santa Clara Valley Water District’s (Valley Water) Board declared a water shortage emergency condition pursuant to California Water Code §350 and called for a countywide water use reduction of 15% compared to 2019 in Valley Water Resolution 21-68. Urged by this resolution, the County proclaimed an emergency due to drought on June 22, 2021. California’s Governor included Santa Clara County as part of a drought emergency proclamation on July 8, 2021.

Reflecting critically dry conditions across the state, the Central Valley Project and State Water Project have drastically reduced imported water allocations in 2021 and 2022. Imported water typically comprises half of Valley Water's annual water supply. Valley Water has been negotiating purchases of emergency transfer water supplies; however, potential state regulatory actions pose significant uncertainty to water transfers.

Furthermore, Valley Water is impacted by the unavailability of Anderson Reservoir as a surface water storage facility for the duration of the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project, which is expected to last a minimum of 10 years. If dry conditions continue and Valley Water’s water use reduction target is not met, there remains some risk of resumed groundwater subsidence in North County and wells going dry, particularly in South County. That risk increases as the drought persists. In South County, groundwater is the only drinking water supply.

Water conservation is an important strategy to help alleviate these possible negative impacts. Santa Clara County has made consistent progress in reducing water use since Valley Water’s call to reduce water use in June 2021. The cumulative water savings from June 2021 - January 2022 is 8%. Valley Water has been conducting a wide array of efforts to meet the water use reduction target of 15% compared to 2019, including coordinating with cities and retailers to implement water use restrictions, public messaging, agricultural outreach, and water conservation program implementation and
expansion. An update on these efforts will be provided (Attachment 1.)

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: PowerPoint

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Kirsten Struve, 408-630-3138
Water Shortage Emergency Condition and Call for Conservation

Joint Water Resources Committee with Cities of Morgan Hill and Gilroy
April 6, 2022

Valley Water
Drought Status

Below normal snowpack and reservoir levels

Data source: U.S. Drought Monitor, Mar. 10, 2022
Countywide Water Savings

- June 2021 – January 2022 Cumulative Savings - 8%
- Winter use mostly indoor (essential) use
- Greatest savings expected during spring and summer, when irrigation is used more
Drought and Conservation Public Outreach

- Multilingual digital, print, TV, radio, videos
- Social media campaigns
- Speakers Bureau outreach
- Water Ambassadors
- Education
- Agricultural outreach

Reducing water use in your home by 15% can save about 17 gallons per day.
Water Conservation

- Participation remains high
- Vendor assistance
- eCart Participation
  - 7 in Feb 2021
  - 2,516 in Feb 2022
2022 Imported Water Supplies

Low allocations

• State Water Project
• Central Valley Project
• Semitropic water bank withdrawal- 31.5 TAF
• Emergency transfers – under negotiations
Groundwater

- Improvement, but risk of subsidence and dry wells continues
- Increased recharge since August 2021
- February recharge decreased from January due to pipeline maintenance
QUESTIONS
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Joint WRC with Cities of Gilroy/Morgan Hill/SCRWA

SUBJECT:

RECOMMENDATION:
A. Review the 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee Work Plan, and make adjustments as necessary; and
B. Select a date for the next Joint Water Resources Committee meeting.

SUMMARY:
Work Plans are created and implemented by all Board Committees to increase Committee efficiency, provide advanced public notice of intended Committee discussions, and enable staff to prepare for meetings and respond to Committee direction. Work Plans are dynamic documents managed by Committee Chairs and are subject to change. Committee Work Plans also serve to assist in the preparation of Annual Committee Accomplishments Reports.

The 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee (JWRC) Work Plan contains topics for discussion based on information from the following sources:

- Items referred to the Committee by the Board;
- Items requested by the Committee to be brought back by staff;
- Items scheduled for presentation to the full Board of Directors; and
- Items identified by staff.

The 2022 JWRC Work Plan contained in Attachment 1 is presented for the Committee’s review and to determine additional topics for future meeting discussions.

2022 Remaining Meeting Schedule:

Regular quarterly meetings shall convene at 9:00 a.m., or following adjournment of South County Regional Wastewater Authority (SCRWA) on the first Wednesday for the last two quarters in July and October, or at the call of the Committee Chair.

The remaining 2022 JWRC meeting dates are:

- Wednesday, July 6, 2022
- Wednesday, October 5, 2022
Establishing a meeting schedule is necessary to provide staff a basis for meeting planning, preparation of agenda items and coordination of logistics.

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Attachment 1: 2022 JWRC Work Plan

**UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**
Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193
# 2022 Joint Water Resources Committee Workplan

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