A special meeting of the Water Storage Exploratory Committee (Committee) was held on October 13, 2022, at Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose CA 95118.

1. CALL TO ORDER
The Water Storage Exploratory Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Pro Tem Director Richard P. Santos at 1:03 p.m.

1.1 ROLL CALL
Valley Water Board Members in attendance were: Director Richard P. Santos (District 3), and Director John L. Varela (District 1).

Valley Water Staff in attendance were: Aaron Baker, Glenna Brambill, Andrew Garcia, Samantha Greene, Andy Gschwind, Michael Haggerty, Christopher Hakes, Brian Hopper, Dana Jacobson, Cindy Kao, Candice Kwok-Smith, Jessica Lovering, Michael Martin, Ryan McCarter, Carlos Orellana, Angus Parton, Steve Peters, Don Rocha, Kirsten Struve, Charlene Sun, Darin Taylor, and Jing Wu.

Guests in attendance were: Melanie Carrido (MWH Constructors), Katja Irvin (Sierra Club-Loma Prieta Chapter), Hon. Steve Jordan (BAWSCA and Purissima Hills Water District), Marguerite Patil, Ph.D. (Contra Costa Water District {CCWD}), Taryn Ravazzini (LVE Project Joint Powers Authority (JPA), Gavin Tasker-Barnard Construction), Bill Tuttle (San Jose Water Company-SJWC), and Hon. John Weed (Alameda County Water District-ACWD).

Public in attendance were: Lisa A vestedt, Hon. Jim Beall, Ryan Castillo, Bob Green, Arthur Keller, Ph.D., Kaho Khong, Manny JID/RD1606, and Director Linda J. LeZotte (Valley Water District 4).

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA
There was no one present who wished to speak.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   It was moved by Director Richard P. Santos, second by Director John L. Varela, and
   by unanimous vote carried to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2022, meeting of the
   Water Storage Exploratory Committee as presented.

4. ACTION ITEMS
   4.1 VALLEY WATER PARTICIPATION RECOMMENDATION FOR THE LOS VAQUEROS
       RESERVOIR EXPANSION PROJECT
   Michael Martin reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

   The Water Storage Exploratory Committee took the following action:
   It was moved by Director John L. Varela, second by Director Richard P. Santos, and
   unanimously approved staff’s recommendation that the Board consider approving the
   Multi-Party Agreement Amendment #4 for the Los Vaqueros Reservoir
   Expansion Project.

   4.2 STANDING ITEMS
   Cindy Kao reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

   Water Banking Opportunities
   Pleasant Valley:
   • Continuing to discuss long-term exchange opportunities with Pleasant Valley Water
     District

   Aquaterra:
   • Revised Feasibility Study has been completed and VW has finished reviewing. There
     are some data gaps and VW will be checking to see if this is a feasible and sound
     financial investment

   AVEK:
   • Working with Metropolitan Water District (MWD) on Phase 1
   • Valley Water (VW) is interested in the second phase of the project and are
     interested in doing a pilot program with them (banking water then testing to see if it
     works and will review criteria and other concerns)
   • VW staff will be visiting site on October 18th to see Phase 1 construction
   • Working with interested parties to develop a MOU regarding plant activities

   Sites:
   • VW staff reviewing the draft guiding principles on concepts relating to allocation and
     project benefit
   • Additional discussions on governance and finance along with addressing VW’s
     comments and concerns
   • Release of the EIR/EIS expected January 2023
   • Final draft of the benefits and obligations agreement targeted for mid-2023
   • Final funding commitment expected to occur mid-2024 after securing the water right
     permit and WIFIA loan
B. F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion:
• Coordinating and participating with San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA-Authority) cost and benefit allocation
• Reclamation and Authority have revised the addendum to the feasibility report VW took issue on the cost allocation

Director John L. Varela reported on the ACWA Region 5 Program and Tour:
• Potential new opportunities, theme surrounding: recycled water, water purification, sustainable groundwater supply, and agriculture
• Toured one water facilities and defunct desalination plant
• Start possible discussion around conveyance and storage with Monterey Peninsula

The Water Storage Exploratory Committee took no action.

4.3 REVIEW WATER STORAGE EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN AND THE COMMITTEE’S NEXT MEETING AGENDA
Glenna Brambill reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

It is requested that the next meeting include an update on the Pacheco Reservoir Project and some discussion on the conveyance and storage with Monterey Peninsula.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTIONS
Glenna Brambill noted there was one action item for Board consideration.

Agenda Item 4.1
The Water Storage Exploratory Committee took the following action:
The Water Storage Exploratory Committee unanimously approved staff’s recommendation that the Board consider approving the Multi-Party Agreement Amendment #4 for the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project.

6. CLOSED SESSION
6.5 DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION
There was no report as the Committee elected to postpone the Closed Session.

7. ADJOURNMENT
Committee Chair Pro Tem Richard P. Santos adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 3-29-2023