

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) AND PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC MEETINGS

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency resulting from the threat of COVID-19. Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20 (3-12-20) and Executive Order N-29-20 (3-17-20) which temporarily suspend portions of the Brown Act relative to conducting public meetings. Subsequent thereto, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 (3-19-20) ordering all individuals to stay at home or at their place of residence. Accordingly, it has been determined that all Groundwater Council meetings will be held pursuant to the Brown Act and will be conducted via teleconference. There will be <u>no public access</u> to the meeting venue.

GROUNDWATER COUNCIL

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020 – 10:00 A.M.

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GROUNDWATER COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020 - 10:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL FOR QUORUM

Bear Valley Mutual Water Company (0), City of Colton (3), City of Loma Linda (9), City of Redlands (0), City of Rialto (8), East Valley Water District (15), Fontana Union Water Company (3), Loma Linda University (1), San Bernardino Municipal Water Department (62), San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (0), San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District (0), West Valley Water District (0), Yucaipa Valley Water District (0)

INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Update on Groundwater Council Participation
- 2. Consider Annual Plan (Page 6)
- 3. Consider Administrative Draft Policy -001- Revenue Collection (Page 21)

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled Groundwater Council Meeting will be on June 8, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE GROUNDWATER COUNCIL

February 10, 2020

Registered Guests:

Daniel Cozad, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Katelyn Scholte, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Russ Handy, City of Loma Linda Josh Swift, Fontana Union Water Company Cris Fealy, Fontana Union Water Company Parag Kalaria, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Jeff Noelte, East Valley Water District Jarb Thaipejr, City of Loma Linda Tom Crowley, City of Rialto Miguel Guerrero, San Bernardino Municipal Water Department Steve Miller, San Bernardino Municipal Water Department Linda Jadeski, West Valley Water District Jennifer Ares, Yucaipa Valley Water District Jesus Gastelum, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Nadia Loukeh, West Valley Water District Wen Huang, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Leo Ferrando, Riverside Public Utilities Bob Tincher, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Kevin Watson, City of Redlands Bob Martin, Bear Valley Mutual Water Company Cindy Saks, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Matthew Howard, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Lillian Hernandez, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

The Groundwater Council meeting was called to order by Tom Crowley at 10:02 a.m. at the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District office, 380 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino.

Roll Call was taken and there was a quorum for voting purposes. The meeting proceeded with the following agenda items.

Agenda Item 1. Approval of Minutes.

1. December 9, 2019, Meeting.

Daniel Cozad moved to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019, Groundwater Council meeting. Miguel Guerrero seconded. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Agenda Item 2. Old Business.

1. Consider Approval of Budget Policy Changes for 2020 Year. Daniel Cozad went over the summary of revisions which included the formation of a Data Review/QC Committee who would review the quality of data and measurement of flows and review any unpublished data. Also included was to consider changes prior to agreement renewal which is the Equitable Allocation Model (EAM) percentage allocated to historical use and unit fees updates to measurement locations for credits in EAM. The remaining two items were to meter critical sites, and the EAM calculation will only include imported water above the Groundwater Council amount. Mr. Cozad pointed out a typo on page 8 of the packet. Redlined number 2 item had GG not GC. He stated it should read GC.

Bob Tincher moved to approve the changes as presented. Jarb Thaipejr seconded. The motion was unanimously adopted.

2. Consider Approval of Equitable Allocation and Budget for 2020. Daniel Cozad stated there were no comments on the EAM so it was exactly as presented in November. Katelyn Scholte reviewed the Engineering Investigation of the Bunker Hill Basin for 2018-2019 which was handed out at the meeting.

Jarb Thaipejr moved to approve the Equitable Allocation and Budget for 2020. Jeff Nolte seconded. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Agenda Item 3. New Business.

1. Approval of Draft Groundwater Council Annual Report. Bob Tincher stated that the Groundwater Council requested that the Basin Technical Advisory Committee's Engineering Subcommittee develop guidelines for the report. At the last meeting he presented the outline and requested comments. No negative comments were received so the BTAC prepared the Draft Groundwater Council Annual Report for review. He requested everyone look it over and let him know of any changes by the end of February 2020.

Agenda Item 4. Other Business.

The next regularly scheduled Groundwater Council Meeting will be on April 13, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, 380 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino, CA 92408.

Agenda Item 5. Adjournment.

There being no further business, Chairman Crowley adjourned the meeting 10:50 a.m.

APPROVAL CERTIFICATION I hereby certify to approval of the foregoing Minutes of the Groundwater Council.	Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Date	Lillian Hernandez Board Secretary



DATE:	April 13, 2020
TO:	San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council
FROM:	Bob Tincher, Deputy General Manager – Resources Matthew Howard, Water Resources Senior Project Manager San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
SUBJECT:	Consider Approval of the 2019 San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Annual Report

This item was discussed at the San Bernardino Basin (SBB) Groundwater Council (GC) meeting on February 10, 2020. Those GC members in attendance were asked to review the report and provide comments by February 28, 2020.

The general goals of the SBB GC Annual Report are to report on the conditions of the SBB, the amount paid by the participants, the operations and maintenance activities and the amount of water recharged. The report focuses on the previous calendar year but also includes the plan and budget for the coming year.

Comments from the City of San Bernardino, Fontana Union Water Company, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District and Western Municipal Water District have been incorporated into this version of the document. Staff is recommending approval.

Background

Section 5.1.3 of the Agreement allows the GC to produce an Annual Basin Groundwater Report to cover topics pertaining to the GC including but not limited to: annual production, recharge, environmental issues, exchanges, basin health, costing sharing mechanisms and operations and maintenance.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this Report.

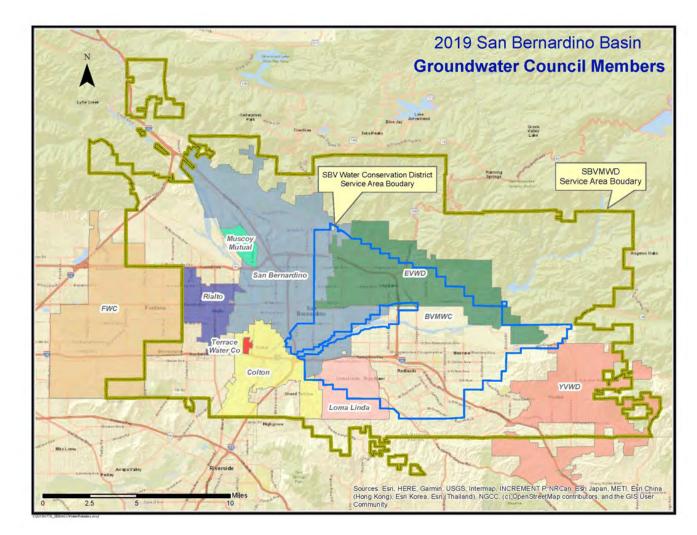
Recommendation

Approve 2019 San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Annual Report

Attachment

San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Annual Report for 2019

San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Annual Basin Groundwater Report 2019



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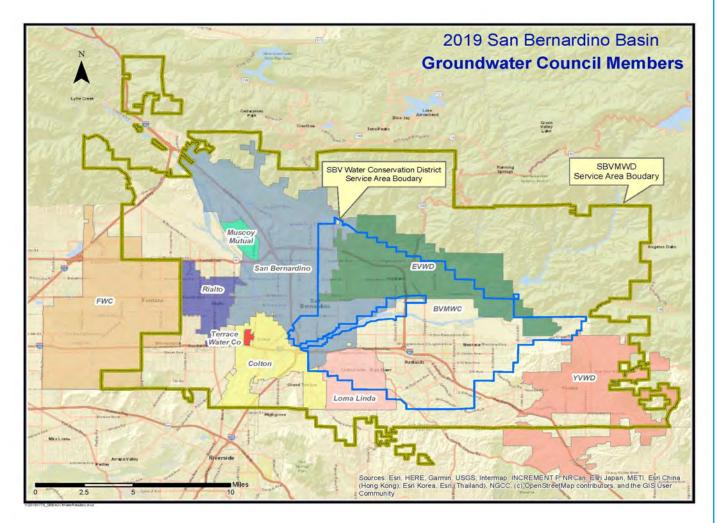
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Introduction

The San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council (GC) was formed in 2017 to cooperatively manage the San Bernardino Basin (SBB) to achieve the following general goals:

- Ensure sustainable groundwater supply
- Proactively manage the SBB
- Prevent long-term groundwater overdraft

The agreement that formed the GC includes a general requirement to develop an annual report. Since the agreement did not provide a specific outline for the annual report, the GC asked the Basin Technical Advisory

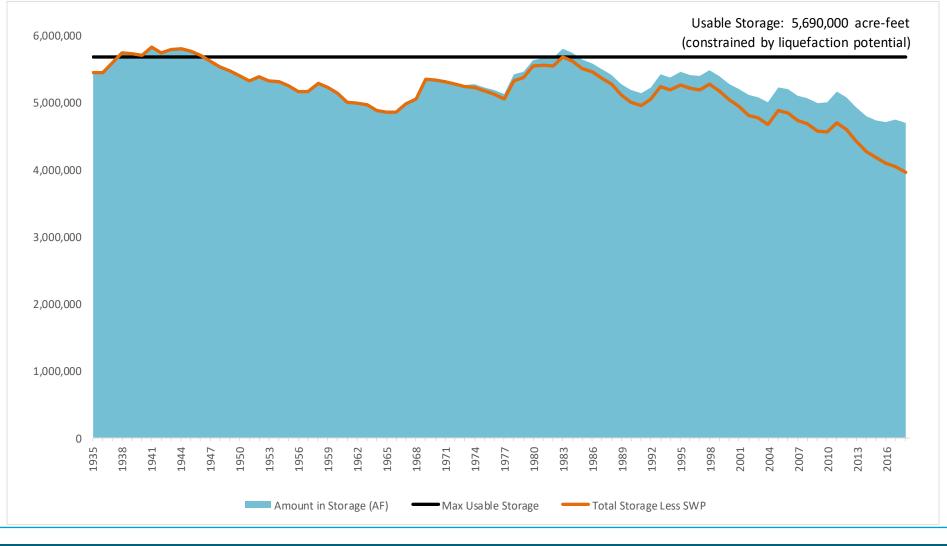


Committee Engineering Subcommittee to prepare an outline for the report which was later approved by the GC. The general goals for this Annual Report are to report on the sustainability of the SBB, the amount paid by participants for State Water Project (SWP) water deliveries and operations and maintenance for the previous year, the water purchases for the previous year and the operations and maintenance activities for the previous year. The report also provides the plan and budget for the coming year.

Basin Sustainability

Basin Storage Level: 982,000 AF Below Full

Despite drought conditions that began around 1998 (see Appendix A), the SBBA is in stable condition due largely to the import of supplemental water from the SWP. The positive influence of the GC and Valley District SWP water purchases over the last couple of years stopped the decline in storage levels.



Equitable Cost Sharing

The GC developed an Equitable Allocation Model to proportion the cost of imported water purchases by the GC and the operations and maintenance costs for recharge. To avoid large swings in the amount of water to be purchased, the GC decided to import the projected average amount of imported water needed in the future, as determined by the San Bernardino Valley Regional Urban Water Management Plan (RUWMP). Based on the latest update of the RUWMP, the future average need for SWP water is 28,823 acre-feet. This amount may change based on updates to the RUWMP and based upon basin storage levels.

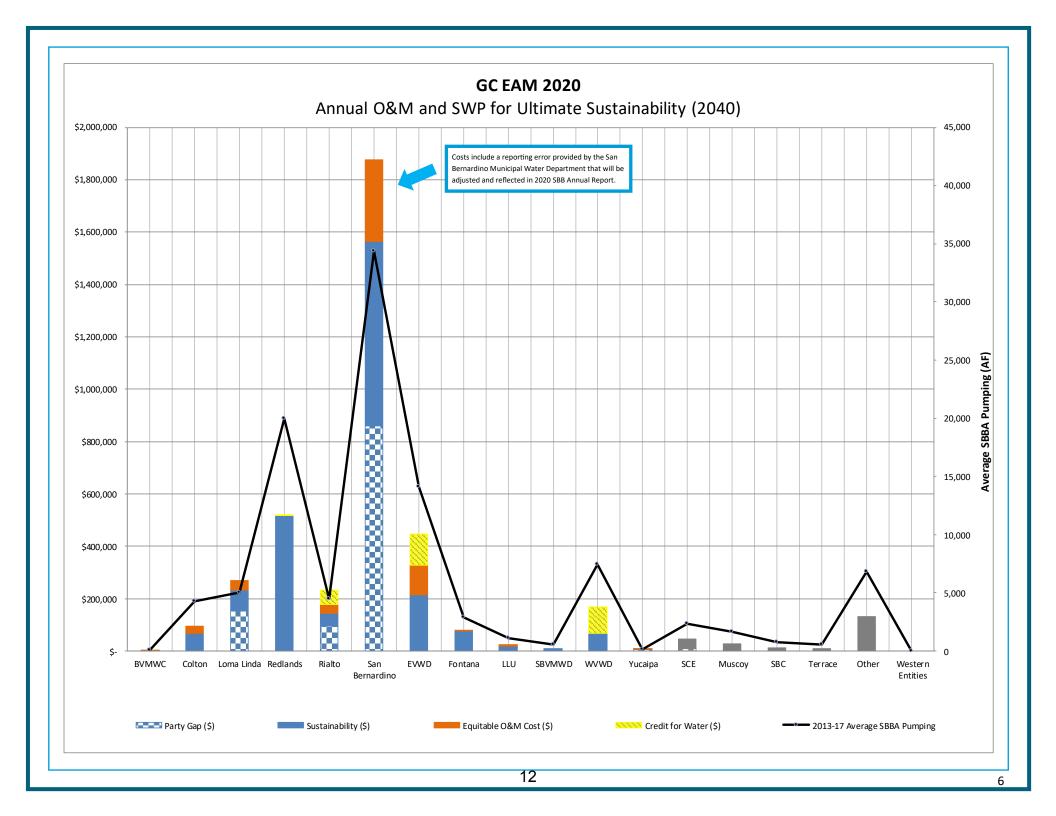
Should the SBB return to full, or get close to full, the GC may choose not to import SWP water. Even if the GC does not import water, it may choose to collect money to build up a cash reserve for future water purchases. While the GC desires to purchase the projected average amount of imported water needed in the future, SWP water will likely not be available on a consistent basis. Instead, it will be available mostly in wet years. In order to achieve the long-term average, the GC will likely purchase more water in wet years when it is available.

The GC water cost is proportioned among the parties based upon their individual water budget which compares their demand to their supplies, including any investment they may have made in recycled water and/or surface water. Generally speaking, the agencies that are the most upside down, meaning demands exceed supplies, pay the most. The O&M costs are proportioned based upon the last five years of groundwater extractions since those who divert and pump the most are most reliant on the recharge.

2019 GC agencies

- ♦ City of Colton
- ♦ City of Rialto
- City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department
- ♦ City of Loma Linda
- ♦ East Valley Water District
- ◊ San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
- ◊ San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District
- ♦ Fontana Union Water Company
- Vucaipa Valley Water District
- ♦ Loma Linda University
- Bear Valley Mutual Water Company

There are two public water agencies that have not yet signed the SBB GC Agreement, the City of Redlands and West Valley Water District, which collectively represent about 16 % of the total costs. Also, private water agencies, private well owners, Southern California Edison and the County of San Bernardino have not signed the agreement which collectively represent about 7 % of the total costs. Parties that have not signed the agreement continue to accrue costs since the formation of the GC. In 2019, Valley District purchased the collective SWP water for the parties that have not yet signed the GC agreement. Valley District will be reimbursed for this expense, as pumpers join the GC. San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District (Conservation District) has continued to collect its Groundwater Charge from the parties who have not signed the GC which is helping fund the operations and maintenance costs. Conservation District will be reimbursed for these costs, as required, when additional pumpers join the GC.



Costs by Agency in the GC

Summary of Groundwater Council Total Party Costs (FY 2018-2021)

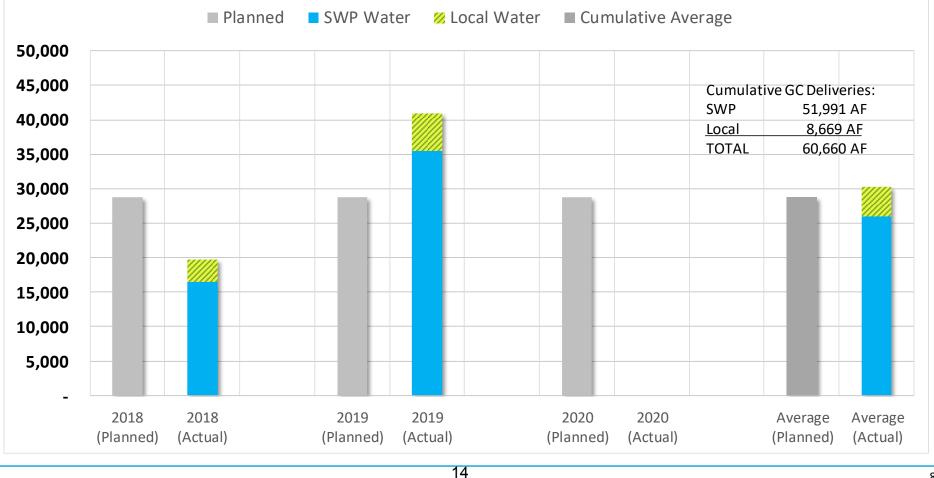
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Agency		Total Party Costs 2018-19 (\$)		Total Party Costs 2019-20 (\$)		Estiamted otal Party sts 2020-21 (\$)		st Increase m 2019-20 (\$)	Voting Weight 2020-21	Percent Pumping ir SBBA	
Bear Valley Mutual Water Company	\$	121	\$	277	'\$-		\$ (277)		0.00%	-	
City of Colton	\$ 115,116		\$ 95,204		\$ 96,657		\$ 1,454		3.2%	2.4%	
City of Loma Linda	\$ 254,647		\$	268,988	\$ 278,587		\$	9,599	9.1%	3.3%	
City of Redlands	\$	569,400	\$	516,253	\$	256,926	\$	(259,326)	8.4%	12.3%	
City of Rialto	\$	322,907	\$	176,324	\$	349,011	\$	172,687	11.4%	3.5%	
City of San Bernardino	\$	1,416,088	\$	1,877,120	\$	1,630,807	\$	(246,313)	53.5%	25.7%	
East Valley Water District	\$	443,555	\$	325,774	\$	273,088	\$	(52,686)	9.0%	9.4%	
Fontana Union Water Company		#N/A	\$	80,315	\$	96,842	\$	16,527	3.2%	2.1%	
Loma Linda University	\$	31,233	\$	24,935	\$	26,281	\$	1,346	0.9%	0.6%	
San Bernardino Valley M.W.D.	\$	1,987	\$	8,006	\$	24,546	\$	16,540	0.8%	0.2%	
West Valley Water District	\$	207,215	\$	68,503	\$	186,279	\$	117,776	#N/A	5.5%	
Yucaipa Valley Water District		14,616	\$	7,216	\$	16,054	\$	8,839	0.5%	0.1%	
Total GC Parties:	\$	3,539,329	\$	3,448,912	\$	3,235,078	\$	(304,251)	100%	65.25%	
Mountain View Power Co.	\$	69,536	\$	44,732	\$	35,104	\$	(9,628)	#N/A	0.6%	
Muscoy Mutual Water Company No. 1	\$	32,509	\$	25,888	\$	28,674	\$	2,786	#N/A	1.1%	
San Bernardino County - Facility Management	\$	14,513	\$	11,617	\$	12,625	\$	1,008	#N/A	0.5%	
Terrace Water Company	\$	11,907	\$	8,699	\$	8,288	\$	(411)	#N/A	0.2%	
Other San Bernardino Extractions	\$	173,037	\$	130,978	\$	147,347	\$	16,370	#N/A	4.0%	
San Bernardino Non-Parties Total:	\$	301,502	\$	221,914	\$	232,038	\$	(69,464)	0%	6.43%	
Western Entities Total:	\$	249,755		-		-			0%	27.95%	
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Water Deliveries

In calendar year 2019, the GC delivered 35,504 acre-feet of imported SWP water and 5,394 acre-feet of local water to various recharge facilities located in the SBB, which included 9,061 acre-feet of carryover from 2018. To date, the GC has purchased almost 52,000 acre-feet of SWP water for the SBB. In 2020, the GC plans to deliver 23,624 acre-feet of imported SWP and 5,277 acre-feet of local water to various recharge facilities throughout the SBB to ensure basin sustainability. The proposed delivery plan is included in Appendix C.

	Deliveries	Cost
Total	51,991 acre feet	\$11,228,527
Cumulative		
2019	40,898 acre feet	\$3,670,826
Planned 2020	28,901 acre feet	\$3,467,116



Operations and Maintenance

Total SBVWCD Cumulative Cost: \$1,853,822 2019 SBVWCD Cost: \$ 540,000 Planned SBVWCD 2020 Cost: \$670,000

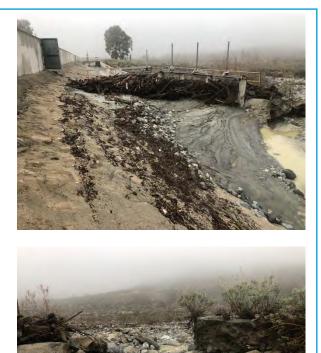
The total cost for O&M includes both the SBVWCD cost for groundwater recharge and SBVMWD cost for groundwater recharge.

O&M Activities in 2019

Heavy rains in January and February of 2019 required significant management and heavy maintenance, particularly in the Mill Creek facility. It proved operationally challenging to keep the soft plugs and Mill Creek diversion in operation as three successive storms caused the soft plugs to erode three times and the diversion levee to fail, all within the span of one month. Thanks to the diligence and rapid efforts of the SBVWCD staff, the Mill Creek diversion structure was repaired one day after the storms.

SBVWCD effort to recharge as much native and imported water as possible caused six Mill Creek basins to completely fill with sand and rock, eight basins requiring scrapping removing silt, and the North Canal to fill with silt. Two basin levees were overtopped, requiring emergency repair by Upland Rock and Jacinto Construction. The material that was removed from the basins has been stockpiled within the Mill Creek facility. Approximately 75,000 cubic-feet of material will need to be relocated before any future maintenance can be completed.

The Santa Ana facility required less emergency maintenance, however high flow releases from Seven Oaks Dam and delivery of imported water pushed the facility to maximum capacity. Due to the poor water quality of the Santa Ana River, water from behind Seven Oaks Dam and the prolonged recharge period, recharge rates in the basins decreased significantly towards the end of the year and water is still present within the ponds.





Planned Operations and Maintenance Efforts for 2020

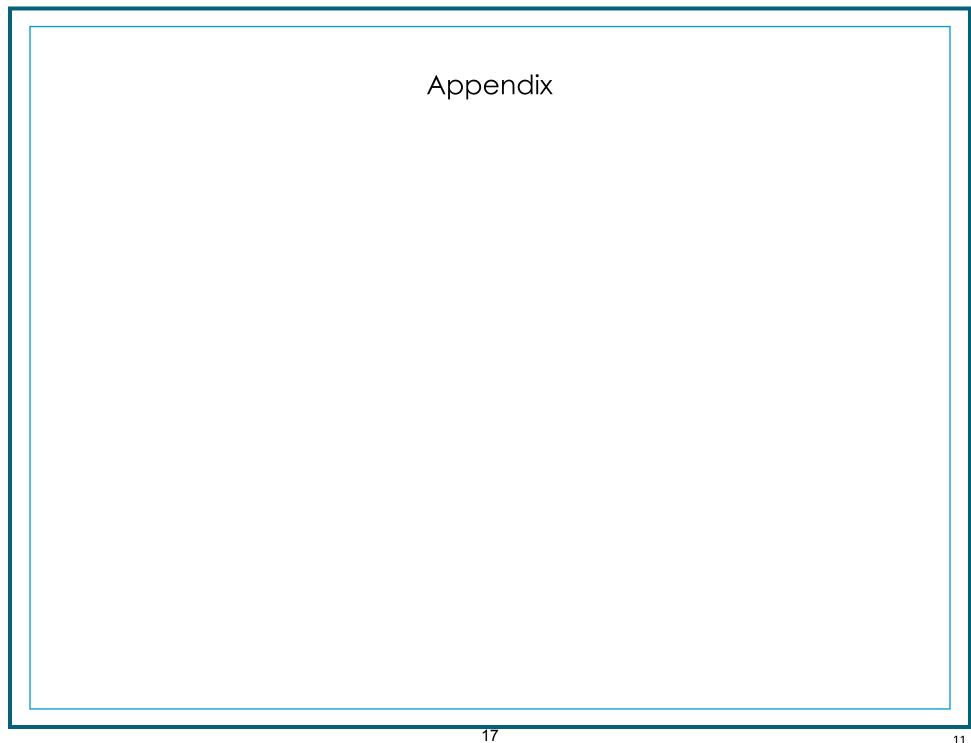
Due to continuous recharge of imported water through the fall and winter of 2019, the Conservation District maintenance of the recharge basin in the Santa Ana spreading facility has been delayed. The eight basins located at the Santa Ana spreading facility will require scrapping and silt removal, however they are still in the process of drying out before work can begin.

Work is scheduled to be completed in February of 2020. The Mill Creek facility is fully operational and anticipated maintenance will include movement of material and minor repairs to overflow structures between basins.



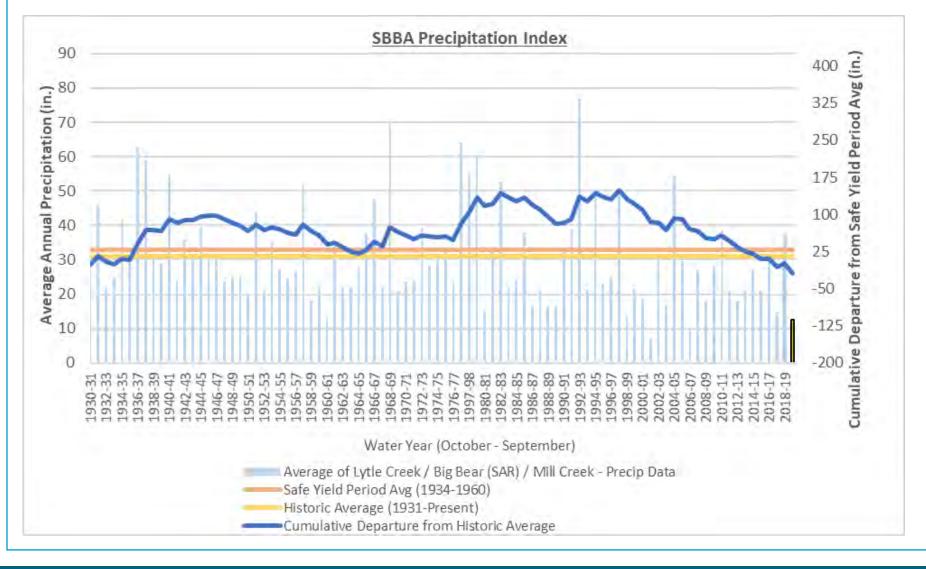






Appendix A: SBBA Precipitation Index

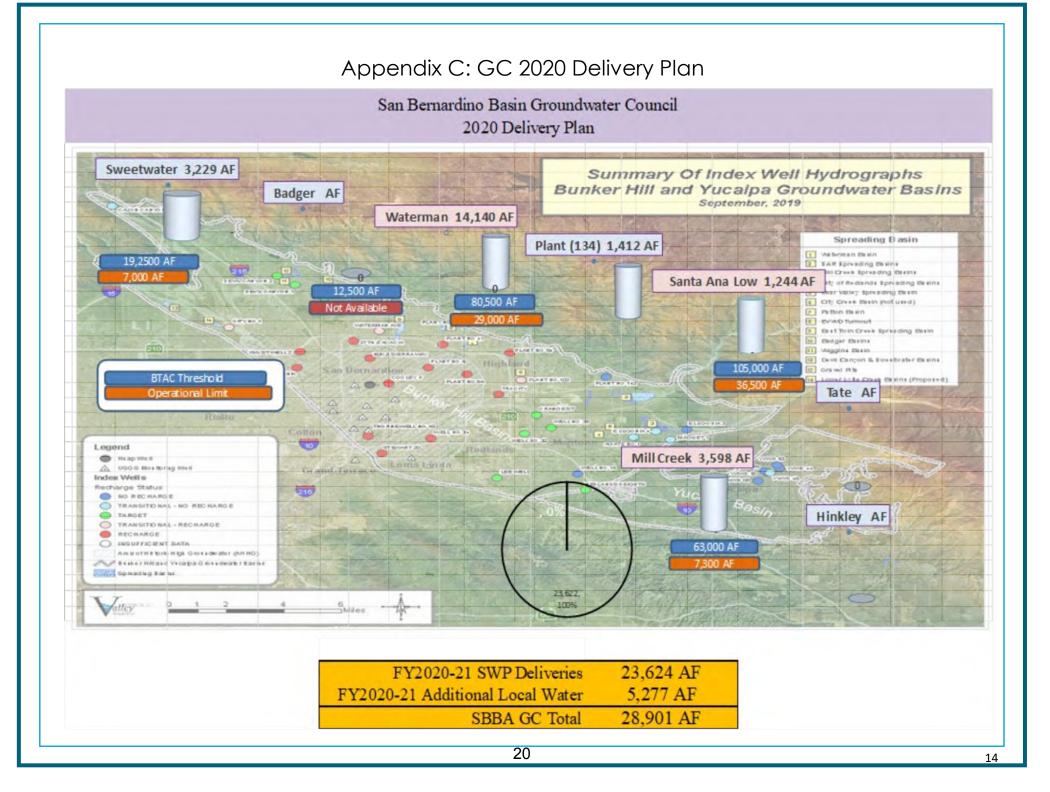
The SBBA receives the majority of its water supply from as runoff local precipitation. Approximately two-thirds of this precipitation comes from three sub-watersheds: Santa Ana River, Mill Creek and Lytle Creek. Based on precipitation levels in these three watersheds, Valley District created a precipitation index that tracks the average precipitation in these three watersheds. The precipitation index shows that the region has been experiencing a drought since around 1998.



Appendix B: Running Total and Balance Owed by Pumpers

	Groundwater Council Equitable Allocation Budget for FY 2020-21								FY 201	9-20		FY 2018-19					
Agency	Total Due to Date	Total Due to SBV MWD	Total Due to SBVMWD (AF)	Total Due to SBVWCD	Water Cost 2020-21 (\$)	Total Paid to SBVMWD in 2020	Equitable O&M Costs 2020-21 (\$)	Total Paid to SBVWCD in 2020		Water Cost 2019-20 (\$)	Total Paid to SBVMWD in 2019	Equitable O&M Costs 2019-20 (\$)	Total Paid to SBVWCD in 2019	Water Cost 2018-19 (\$)	Total Paid to SBVMWD in 2018		Total Paid to SBVWCD in 2018
Bear Valley Mutual Water Company	\$ (7)	\$ (13)	(0)	\$6	ş -	ş -	\$ -	ş -	Ť	\$ 187	\$ 237	\$ 89	\$ 86	\$ -	ş -	\$ 121	\$ 121
City of Colton	\$ 112,012	\$ 83,472		\$ 28,540		ş -	\$ 26,896			\$ 66,608	\$ 62,397	\$ 28,596		\$ 91,875	\$ 92,234	\$ 23,240	
City of Loma Linda	\$ 294,351	\$ 254,636		\$ 39,715	\$ 241,042	ş -	\$ 37,545	ş -		\$ 231,252	\$ 226,262	\$ 37,736	\$ 36,885	\$ 218,718	\$ 219,514	\$ 35,929	\$ 35,929
City of Redlands	\$ 861,564	\$ 723,639	5,752	\$ 137,924	\$ 119,002	ş -	\$ 137,924	ş -		\$ 516,253	ş -	#N/A	pending	\$ 569,400	ş -	\$ 106,757	\$ 181,131
City of Rialto	\$ 418,717	\$ 377,489	3,188	\$ 41,228	\$ 309,639	ş -	\$ 39,372	ş -		\$ 144,051	\$ 135,686	\$ 32,273	\$ 31,367	\$ 284,657	\$ 285,581	\$ 38,250	\$ 38,250
City of San Bernardino	\$ 1,305,254	\$ 1,030,519	8,704	\$ 274,735	\$ 1,343,115	ş -	\$ 287,692	ş -	Ц.	\$ 1,562,395	\$ 1,525,347	\$ 314,725	\$ 308,163	\$ 1,138,924	\$ 1,142,797	\$ 277,164	\$ 277,164
East Valley Water District	\$ 347,957	\$ 235,572	1,873	\$ 112,385	\$ 167,215	\$-	\$ 105,872	ş -	Ц.	\$ 212,537	\$ 193,606	\$ 113,237	\$ 110,925	\$ 345,898	\$ 347,030	\$ 97,656	\$ 97,656
Fontana Union Water Company	\$ 111,907	\$ 87,969	743	\$ 23,939	\$ 73,200	ş -	\$ 23,642	ş -		\$ 75,157	\$ 196,070	\$ 5,158	\$ 20,401	ş -	ş -	\$ -	ş -
Loma Linda University	\$ 30,332	\$ 22,731	192	\$ 7,601	\$ 19,104	ş -	\$ 7,177	ş -	Ц.	\$ 17,566	\$ 16,458	\$ 7,369	\$ 7,184	\$ 23,453	\$ 23,562	\$ 7,780	\$ 7,780
San Bernardino Valley M.W.D.	\$ 34,137	\$ 31,553	266	\$ 2,584	\$ 21,962	ş -	\$ 2,584	ş -	Ц.	\$ 8,006	ş -	ş -	ş -	\$ 1,987	ş -	\$-	ş -
West Valley Water District	\$ 587,628	\$ 587,628	4,963	\$-	\$ 186,279	ş -	#N/A	ş -	4	\$ 68,503	ş -	#N/A	ş -	\$ 207,215	ş -	\$ 55,688	ş -
Yucaipa Valley Water District	\$ 16,463	\$ 15,121	128	\$ 1,342	\$ 14,759	ş -	\$ 1,296	ş -		\$ 6,397	\$ 6,275	\$ 819	\$ 790	\$ 13,379	\$ 13,379		\$ 1,237
Total GC Parties:	\$ 4,120,316	\$ 3,450,316	28,665	\$ 670,000	\$ 2,565,078	\$-	\$ 670,000	\$-	Щ	\$ 2,908,912	\$ 2,362,339	\$ 540,000	\$ 543,847	\$ 2,895,506	\$ 2,124,096	\$ 643,822	\$ 662,508
Mountain View Power Co.	\$ 153,561	\$ 153,561	1,297	ş -	\$ 35,104	ş -	#N/A	ş -	ĨŤ	\$ 44,732	ş -	#N/A	pending	\$ 69,536	ş -	#N/A	\$ 9,708
Muscoy Mutual Water Company No. 1	\$ 91,005	\$ 91,005			\$ 28,674	ş -	#N/A	ş -		\$ 25,888		#N/A	#N/A	\$ 32,509	ş -	#N/A	#N/A
San Bernardino County - Facility Management	\$ 40,524	\$ 40,524	342	\$-	\$ 12,625	\$-	#N/A	ş -	\square	\$ 11,617	\$-	#N/A	#N/A	\$ 14,513		#N/A	#N/A
Terrace Water Company	\$ 30,180	\$ 30,180	255	\$-	\$ 8,288	ş -	#N/A	ş -		\$ 8,699	ş -	#N/A	#N/A	\$ 11,907	ş -	#N/A	#N/A
Other San Bernardino Extractions	\$ 470,971	\$ 470,971	3,978	\$ -	\$ 147,347	ş -	#N/A	ş -	Τ	\$ 130,978	ş -	#N/A	#N/A	\$ 173,037	ş -	#N/A	#N/A
San Bernardino Non-Parties Total:	\$ 786,242	\$ 786,242	6,641	\$-	\$ 232,038	\$-	ş -	ş -		\$ 221,914	ş -	ş -	\$ -	\$ 301,502	ş -	\$ -	\$ 9,703
Western Entities Total:	\$ -	\$-	-	\$ -	ş -	ş -	\$-	ş.	ШĽ	ş -	ş -	\$-	pending	\$ -	ş -	\$ -	\$ 313,326
Tota I:	\$ 4,906,558	\$ 4,236,559	35,305	\$ 670,000	\$ 2,797,116	ş -	\$ 670,000	\$ -		\$ 3,130,826	\$ 2,362,339	\$ 540,000	\$ 543,847	\$ 3,197,008	\$ 2,124,096	\$ 643,822	\$ 672,211

Red/Pending = O&M charges paid through SBVWCD Groundwater Charge





DATE:	April 13, 2020
то:	San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council
FROM:	Bob Tincher, Deputy General Manager – Resources San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
SUBJECT:	Consider Administrative Draft Policy 001 - Revenue Collection

This administrative policy would provide the flexibility for any Party to the San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Framework Agreement (Agreement) to make a single payment of their portion of the costs under the Agreement to either San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District or San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District for distribution for both water and facilities costs, per the terms of the Agreement.

Background

Section 5.1.1 of the Agreement allows the Groundwater Council (GC) to adopt rules, regulations, policies and procedures governing the operation of the GC. West Valley Water District has proposed to pay SBVMWD for its full costs under the agreement.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this policy.

Policy Subcommittee Recommendation

Discuss and consider approval of Draft Administrative Policy 001 – Revenue Collection

Attachment

Administrative Policy 001 – Revenue Collection

San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council

Administrative Policy 001 - Revenue Collection

Authority:

Section 5.1.1 of the San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Framework Agreement (Agreement) allows the Groundwater Council (GC) to adopt rules, regulations, policies and procedures governing the operation of the GC.

Section 4.7 of the Agreement designates the two agencies that are authorized, under the Agreement, to collect revenue per the terms of the Agreement: San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (imported water cost) and San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District (facilities cost).

Explanation:

The Parties to the Agreement desire a policy which provides the flexibility for a Party to make a single payment for their Equitable Allocation Model costs, under the Agreement. A single payment for import water and operations and maintenance could be paid to either San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (Valley District) or San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District (Conservation District) for distribution to the other for the costs per the terms of the Agreement.

Policy:

- 1. Any Party desiring to invoke this policy (Requesting Party) must notify both Valley District and the Conservation District. The correspondence must designate the agency (Payment Agency) they desire to invoice them for their single payment costs due under the Agreement.
- 2. Within sixty (60) days, Valley District and Conservation District will make the changes to their financial procedures to effectuate a request made under this policy.
- The Payment Agency will notify the Requesting Party, in writing, once their request has been processed. Until the Requesting Party receives this notice, the Requesting Party is responsible to make all payments under the Agreement within the timeframe provided in the Agreement.
- 4. Once the request has been processed, the Payment Agency will provide a single invoice each year to the Requesting Party that will include both the imported water and facilities costs due per the terms of the Agreement. The Requesting Party will pay the invoice to the Payment Agency per the terms of the Agreement.
- 5. The Payment Agency will expediently distribute funds due to the other agency.