

BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223

NOTICE AND AGENDA REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ENGINEERING WORKSHOP

This meeting is hereby noticed pursuant to California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq. and under the provisions of Assembly Bill 361 and BCVWD Resolution 2022-02

Thursday, February 24, 2022 - 6:00 p.m. 560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223

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BCVWD ENGINEERING WORKSHOP – FEBRUARY 24, 2022

Call to Order: President Williams

Pledge of Allegiance: President Williams

Invocation: Director Hoffman

Teleconference Verification

Roll Call

 Roll Call - Board of Directors

 President Lona Williams

 Vice President Andy Ramirez

 Secretary David Hoffman

 Treasurer John Covington

 Member Daniel Slawson

Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT: RAISE HAND OR PRESS *9 to request to speak when prompted At this time, any person may address the Board of Directors on matters within its jurisdiction which are not on the agenda. However, state law prohibits the Board from discussing or taking action on any item not listed on the agenda. Any non-agenda matters that require action will be referred to Staff for a report and possible action at a subsequent meeting. **Please limit your comments to three minutes.** Sharing or passing time to another speaker is not permitted.

ACTION ITEMS

Action may be taken on any item on the agenda. Information on the following items is included in the full Agenda Packet.

- 1. Adjustments to the Agenda: In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2, additions to the agenda require a 2/3 vote of the legislative body, or if less than 2/3 of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, which makes the determination that there is a need to take action, and the need to take action arose after the posting of the agenda.
 - a. Item(s) to be removed or continued from the Agenda
 - b. Emergency Item(s) to be added to the Agenda
 - c. Changes to the order of the agenda
- 2. Presentation: Sites Reservoir Update by Lance Eckhart, General Manager, San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (no written report)
- 3. 11th Street Water Line Replacement Project (pages 5 9)
- 4. Facilities Maintenance update (pages 10 20)
- 5. Permanent Solutions for District Facilities Needs (pages 21 35)
- 6. Consideration of California Drought Conditions, District Urban Water Management Plan Drought Restrictions and BCVWD Resolution 2014-05 Regarding Issuance of Will-Serve Letters and Other Drought Response (pages 36 - 41)

- 7. Status of Local Emergency regarding the Impact of the Respiratory Illness Pandemic COVID-19 pursuant to Resolution 2020-07 (No Staff Report)
- 8. Status of Declared Local Emergencies related to Fires
 - a. Impact of the Apple Fire pursuant to Resolution 2020-17 (No Staff Report)
 - b. Impact of the El Dorado Fire pursuant to Resolution 2020-20 (No Staff Report)
- 9. Update: Legislative Action and Issues Affecting BCVWD (pages 42 50)

10. Reports for Discussion

a. Directors' Reports

In compliance with Government Code § 53232.3(d), Water Code § 20201, and BCVWD Policies and Procedures Manual Part II Policies 4060 and 4065, directors claiming a per diem and/or expense reimbursement (regardless of preapproval status) will provide a brief report following attendance.

- Urban Water Institute Spring Conference on 2/16 and 2/17/2022 (Slawson, Williams)
- b. Directors' General Comments
- c. General Manager's Report
- d. Legal Counsel Report

11. Topics for Future Meetings

- Water supply for BCVWD and the region
- Matrix for delivery of recycled water
- Legal Counsel report on changes in Proposition 218
- Legal update on drought conditions in the west
- Maintenance costs at 800-hp well sites
- **12. Announcements** In compliance with Assembly Bill 361, BCVWD Board and Committee meetings may be held via teleconference only. Check the meeting agenda for location and/or teleconference information:
 - Collaborative Agencies Meeting: Wednesday, Mar. 2, 2022 at 5 p.m.
 - Finance and Audit Committee Meeting: Thursday, Mar. 3, 2022 at 3 p.m.
 - Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, Mar. 9, 2022 at 6 p.m.
 - Personnel Committee Meeting: Tuesday, Mar. 15, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
 - San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance: Wednesday, Mar. 23, 2022 at 5 p.m.
 - Engineering Workshop: Thursday, Mar. 24, 2022 at 6 p.m.
 - Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee: Wednesday, Apr. 6, 2022 at 11 a.m.

13. Adjournment

NOTICES

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CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

A copy of the foregoing notice was posted near the regular meeting place of the Board of Directors of Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District and to its website at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting (Government Code §54954.2(a)).



Item 3

STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Dan Jaggers, General Manager

SUBJECT: 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project

Staff Recommendation

No recommendation. For Board discussion and information only at this time.

Background

In March 2017, the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (District) Board of Directors adopted the 2017-2026 Ten Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which was designed to be a ten-year planning tool used to identify future capital needs of the District, as well as the timing and method of financing said needs. On December 12, 2021, the Board of Directors adopted the 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Budget (CIB), which includes a series of pipeline replacements.

As identified in the adopted 2022 Operating Budget & 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Budget, there are several pipelines that have been identified in the CIB which are in need of replacement. One pipeline identified is the 11th Street Pipeline Replacement Project. Although there are multiple pipelines which are identified in the budget, staff identifies that the 11th Street Pipeline has become a higher priority due to the increased frequency of leaks as well as the age of the pipe. Repairs to this pipeline have not historically been an issue, however, due to the City's pavement moratorium, and 11th Street having been repaved (slurry seal) in 2021, repairs to this pipeline are becoming more expensive. The 11th Street Pipeline Replacement Project would begin approximately 210 feet west of Beaumont Avenue and end at Elm Avenue. See Figures 1 and 2 for the 11th Street Pipeline Relocation Vicinity Map and Project Site Map.

District staff is currently preparing a request for proposal (RFP) package to solicit services from an engineering consultant to design said pipeline replacement. Staff has prepared this report to identify to the Board of Directors the current planned District replacement, the scope of work, and the estimated cost associated with the pipeline replacement.

<u>Summary</u>

Figure 1 depicts the approximate location of the pipeline replacement and is briefly described below:

 P-2750-0056: Replacement of approximately 1950 linear feet (LF) of 4" steel pipeline with an 8" ductile iron pipe (DIP) waterline along 11th Street in the City of Beaumont. There are twenty-seven (27) existing service connections on the existing waterline which will need to be replaced. See Figure 2 for the general location and alignment of the pipeline replacement.

A total of \$1,421,300 is budgeted for the 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project in the adopted 2022-2026 CIB. Table 1 below sets forth a summary of the estimated costs to construct the pipeline which is scheduled to be funded with Capital Replacement Reserves.



District staff has completed a preliminary engineer's estimate (see Figure 3 – 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project Cost Estimate, attached).

Table 1 –11th Street Waterline Replacement Pipeline Budget

11 th Street Waterline Replacement Pipeline Budget						
Pipeline ID	eline ID Street/Location Cost Estimate 2022-2023 Budg					
P-2750-0056	11 th Street – Approx. 210 feet west of Beaumont Ave. to Elm Ave.	\$1,407,850	\$1,421,300			

See Figure 3 for a preliminary costcost estimate.

The estimated costs set forth in Table 1 represent costs for design (geotechnical, survey, environmental included), construction, and administrative services. Included in the total project cost is a 20% construction contingency and a 15% contingency for soft costs.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact to the District for the 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project will be approximately \$1,407,850 which is scheduled for funding with Capital Replacement Reserves. District staff proposes to solicit bids for an engineering consultant and recommend the best firm based on a selection criterion set forth in the RFP. The recommendation will be brought to the Board of Directors for consideration at a future board meeting.

Attachments:

- 1. Figure 1 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project Vicinity Map
- 2. Figure 2 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project Site Map
- 3. Figure 3 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project Cost Estimate

Staff Report prepared by Evan Ward, Civil Engineering Assistant



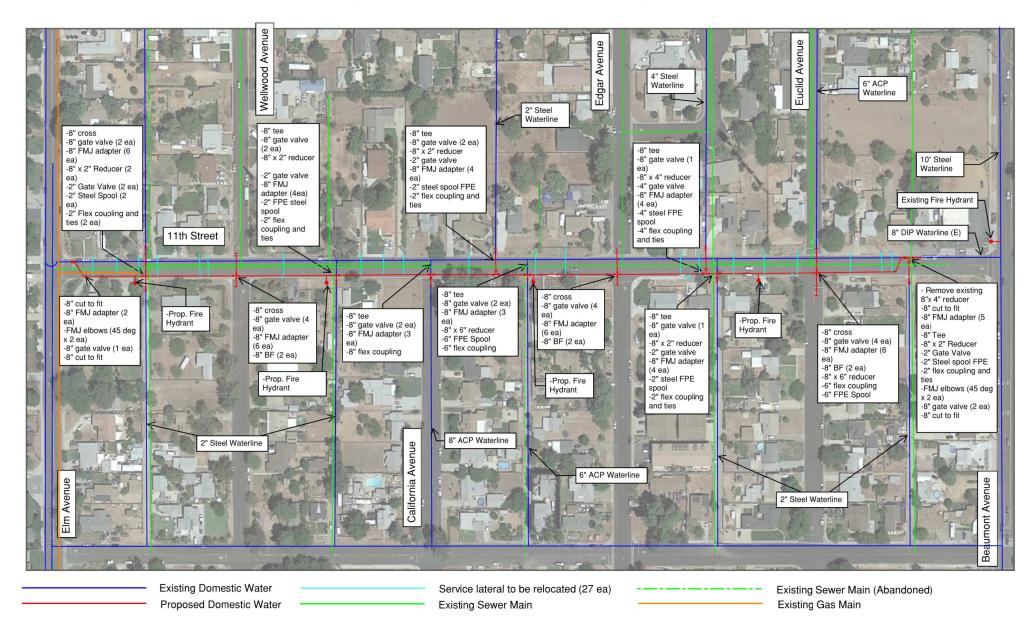


Figure 2 - 11th Street Waterline Replacement Project Site Map

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	11th Street Waterline Replacement Project Project Cost Estimate Summary				
ITEM NO.	CONSTRUCTION PHASE				
1	Mobilization	\$53,500.00			
2	Dust Control	\$2,500.00			
3 4	SWPPP Traffic Control	\$0.00 \$4,500.00			
4 5	Potable Water Pipeline	\$4,300.00 \$737,900.00			
6	Pavement Removal and Replacement	\$227,600.00			
0 7	Field Inspection / Engineering Support	\$4,000.00			
8	Contract Administration	\$4,250.00			
	Subtotal Engineers Estimate (Construction)	\$1,034,250.00			
	Construction Contingency (20%)				
TOTAL PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE AND CONTINGENCIES		\$206,850.00 \$1,241,100.00			
ITEM NO.	OTHER COSTS ESTIMATE (SOFT COSTS)	<i>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </i>			
50	Environmental	\$18,000.00			
51	Preliminary Engineering	\$9,000.00			
52	Permitting	\$6,000.00			
53	Mapping / Survey / Research	\$33,500.00			
54	Plans, Specifications & Estimates (PS&E)	\$45,000.00			
55	City / County Processing & Coordination	\$5,000.00			
56	Bid & Award	\$5,500.00			
57	Geotechnical	\$15,000.00			
58	Project Close-Out	\$8,000.00			
	Subtotal Other Costs Estimate (Soft Costs)				
Other Costs (Soft Costs) Contingency (15%)		\$21,750.00			
TOTA	TOTAL OTHER COSTS ESTIMATE AND CONTINGENCY (SOFT COSTS)				
TOTAL PROJECT APPROPRIATION REQUESTED		\$1,407,850.00			



Item 4

STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Dan Jaggers, General Manager

SUBJECT: Facilities Maintenance Update

Staff Recommendation

No Recommendation.

Background

District Staff is currently working on facilities maintenance activities across various District sites and facilities and has prepared this staff report to begin communicating these activities to the Board of Directors. Staff has embarked on a system-wide facilities maintenance program that will consist of a multi-year effort to update, upgrade, and maintain various existing and soon to be constructed buildings and facilities associated with the District's activities.

This work includes recently completed projects, current projects, and near-term future projects. Tables 1, 2, and 3, hereafter, set forth those projects together with estimated timelines of completion.

ltem	Work Activity	Approximate Completion Date	Estimated Expenditures
1-1	Well 24 Painting: Building Exterior Facia	October 2021	To be Updated
1-2	Well 26 Site Updates a. Landscaping Upgrades b. Building and Site Painting	December 2021	To be Updated
1-3	Well 1 Building Exterior Facia Painting	January 2022	To be Updated

Table 1 – Recently Complet	ed District Maintenance Projects
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See Appendix 1 for photos associated with these work activities



Item	Work Activity	Approximate Completion Date	Estimated Material Expenditures (YTD)
2-1	 Highland Springs Booster Station Exist. Building roof demolition b. New roof construction c. Demo existing interior and exterior lighting d. Install new interior and exterior LED lighting e. Install new ventilation louvers to discourage airflow short circuiting f. Painted new building roof structure g. Painted exterior of existing hydropneumatics tank h. Painted existing wrought iron fencing i. Painted existing station piping, valves, and motors j. Paint and update stenciling on confined space vaults k. Update and replace station signage and placarding 	Completed To be completed in next two weeks To be completed in next two weeks	

Table 2 – Current District Maintenance Projects

See Appendix 2 for photos associated with these work activities

Table 3 – Upcoming District Maintenance Projects

Item	Work Activity	Approximate Completion Date	Estimated Material Expenditures (YTD)
3-1	 Well 16 a. Demo Exist. Well and Chlorine Building exist. roof b. Install new well and chloring building roof. c. Demo existing interior and exterior building lighting d. Install new interior and exterior LED building lighting e. Paint new roof structures f. Paint existing wrought iron fencing g. Paint existing station piping, valves, 	March 30, 2022	Expenditures (YTD)
	and motors h. Update and replace station signage and placarding		



Fiscal Impact

Expenditures have been budgeted in the 2022 District Operating Budget and expenditures and anticipated expenditures are set forth in the Tables above.

Staff Report prepared by Dan Jaggers, General Manager



Appendix 1

Item 1-1 Photos of Well 24 Painting: Building Exterior Facia





Item 1-2

Photos of Well 26 Site updates related to Landscape upgrades and building and site painting







WELL 26 SITE IMPROVEMENT PHOTOGRAPHS









Item 1-3: Photos of Well 1 Site updates related to exterior facia painting







Appendix 2

Item 2-1 Photos of Highland Springs Booster Station Upgrades







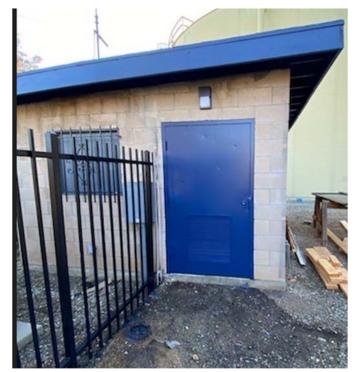




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STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Dan Jaggers, General Manager

SUBJECT: Permanent Solutions for District Facilities Needs

Staff Recommendation

No recommendation.

<u>Summary</u>

This staff report is intended to continue discussion with the Board of Directors regarding District near-term and long-term needs for office space and support facilities (i.e. warehousing and storage, fleet storage and maintenance facilities, etc.) necessary to support existing and future field and office personnel.

The District is currently facing facilities needs challenges which need to be addressed in the very near terms as follows:

- 1. Existing double wide trailer located at 12th and Palm which houses District Field Staff (Distribution, Transmission, and Production) has reached the end of its service life and requires replacement and reconfiguration to meet current near term needs.
- 2. Existing Main Office Building located at 560 Magnolia Avenue is not adequately sized to meet current District staff sizes neither in the near term nor into perpetuity. For example, the District is at maximum staffing levels (seats) that can be supported by the 560 Magnolia facility and the District currently rents office space to house engineering staff members (4 full-time and 1 to 2 part-time staff members) at the Chestnut Avenue facility.

Based upon these challenges, the District must plan for and commence working towards solutions to meet near-term and long-term housing objectives required to meet the District's staffing activities while choosing solutions that address the near-term challenges and to meet long term needs in a cost-effective manner. This staff report therefore presents the following components to begin the discussion of:

- 1. Background of existing District facilities, analysis of needs, and Board discussions which identify near-term and long-term needs for District staffing and associated facilities
- 2. 560 Magnolia Avenue Facility: review and discussion of possible development solutions which may be available to the District
- 3. 12th and Palm Operations Facilities review of and discussion of possible development solutions which may be available to the District
- 4. District owned properties review which may be suitable and available to support new temporary and permanent Operations and Engineering Facilities
- 5. Local area properties review which may be suitable and available to support new temporary and future permanent Operations and Engineering Facilities
- 6. Conclusions and next steps



Background

At its meeting of June 28, 2018, District staff first advised the Board that administrative facilities were being quickly outgrown and presented some initial options for additional space.

At that time, staff proposed addition of a mobile unit on the District property at 560 Magnolia, but it was ultimately decided to lease nearby commercial space, where the Engineering Department staff has been located since June 2019. At its meeting of April 10, 2019, the Board approved a five-year lease, with the anticipation that a more permanent and appropriate solution would be sought.

In search of such a solution, at the September 26, 2019, Board meeting, staff provided the Board with a preliminary Facilities Needs Analysis and Estimate with an approximate budget of \$19 million over 10 to 15 years (2019 costs). Future staffing and facilities needs were examined, and projections were shared with the Board. General Manager Dan Jaggers indicated that money must be programmed into the rate to support future expansion needs.

When the District's main office, located at 560 Magnolia Avenue in the City of Beaumont, was constructed in 2008, the District serviced a population of approximately 36,000 between the City of Beaumont, City of Calimesa, and the unincorporated community of Cherry Valley. The District's boundaries have expanded with multiple annexations since that time.

The new available 2020 US Census numbers indicate that growth is even faster than had been predicted in the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan, and development is not slowing down. In 2015, the BCVWD service area population was estimated at 49,965. The 2020 US Census numbers show this is now 59,839 - a 20 percent increase in just 10 years, and 1 percent more than anticipated. At the same time, the District's total number of employees has grown by only two, and staff is challenged to provide the level of service expected, given the customer to employee ratio and increased workload.

As the Board grapples with the redistricting process as a result of the tremendous growth, it is apparent that the District must be forward-thinking for staffing needs and facilities for the future workforce. The total population at build-out expected in 2045 is 94,550.

In addition to the administrative office building and off-site leased engineering office, the field office facility at 12th and Palm must be considered. This construction trailer which houses the transmission and distribution staff has reached the end of its service life and a solution for this facility must be identified. Table 1 shows the current staffing at all District facilities.

Location	Facility	No. of Staff at Location	Size of Facility
560 Magnolia Ave	Administration Office and Board Room	17	7,561 SF
12 th Street & Palm Ave	Operations Office	17 – 18 Field Staff (2-3) Full Time Staff	1,400 SF
Chestnut Avenue	Engineering Office (Leased space)	4 Full Time, 2 Part Time	1,350 SF
Cherry Yard	Existing Warehouse & Meter Shop	No staff	

Table 1 – Staffing at District Facilities



The preliminary cost estimates for the design and construction of a new Engineering and Operations Center as envisioned in the 2019 Preliminary Facilities Needs Analysis and Estimate will need to be re-evaluated. Based on increased construction costs and inflation over the last several years, this cost may now be closer to \$21 million.

A more comprehensive facility needs analysis, utilizing data from the preliminary analysis in 2019, will need to be completed to further understand potential costs. Staff also identified that project phasing was anticipated and that project components may be revised with further research into cost control activities and completion of a comprehensive final facilities needs analysis and estimate. The estimate of land acquisition and completion of facilities planning and construction document costs was estimated to be between \$750,000 and \$1,750,000. A budget of \$1,760,000 (adjusted for 2022 costs) is included in Appendix C of the District's 2022 Capital Improvement Budget, approved by the Board in December 2021.

Discussion

District staff has reviewed estimated staffing needs for the various divisions at the District and has completed preliminary review of possible solutions to meet the immediate needs as well as the increased staffing and facility needs identified herein, and in the Preliminary Facilities Needs Analysis and Estimate for the Engineering and Operations Department. District staff has also reviewed current Administrative, Finance Department, Customer Service Department, Human Resources Department, and various support staff activities to quantify estimated District staffing needs for all departments anticipated to be required in the near term, in the near future, and ultimate buildout. Staff further identifies that there are various potential avenues which the District may pursue to meet its current facilities and future staffing needs as follows:

- 1. Redevelop 560 Magnolia Avenue to address near term and ultimate staffing needs
- 2. Redevelop 12th and Palm (or other facility) to meet near term facilities and staffing needs for distribution, transmission, and production staff and possibly engineering staff
- 3. Develop new temporary facilities on District owned property to house distribution, transmission, and production staff and possibly engineering staff and construct new Engineering and Operations Center (EOC).)
- 4. Develop new temporary and ultimately permanent facilities on locally available property to construct new Engineering and Operations Center (EOC).

An in-depth discussion of each of these potential avenues follows:

560 Magnolia Avenue Facility: District Main Office Expansion

District staff identifies that the existing building located at 560 Magnolia Avenue is at or near capacity to support current Administrative, Finance Department, Customer Service Department, Human Resources Department, and various support staff. When more staff are needed a solution to staff spacing will need to be found. Those solutions include development of more space and/or allowance of remote work activities for certain staff members (to relieve staff housing pressures).

At this time, staff has reviewed and discussed certain basic options that might be available to meet the near term and ultimate needs as follows:

- 1. Expand the existing building
 - a. Into the easterly parking lot and develop additional parking on adjacent District owned land (APN 418-102-020)
 - b. Construct a second floor on the existing building (not practical due to facilities requirements, existing footprint, and additional parking needs to meet building code requirements).



- c. Convert the existing Board Room into additional office space (results in no Board Room at the District's main office facility)
- 2. Develop a new temporary facility (small office space) on District owned property located northeast of 560 Magnolia Avenue (APN 418-102-020)
- 3. Consider purchase of existing properties located due east of 560 Magnolia Avenue and redeveloped those parcels into a second administrative office/engineering office and support staff office building

As discussed above, the District's main office includes the administration office and the Board room. The area of existing office space at the main office is identified in Table 2, below.

Facility Use	Area (SF)
Office Space and Meeting Rooms	2,565
Board Room	1,578
Support Areas (Lobby, restrooms, etc.)	2,032
Hallways and Circulation Areas	1,386
Total	7,561

Table 2 – District Existing Office Space

District staff identifies that expanding the main office easterly into the east parking lot at 560 Magnolia Avenue or developing a small additional office building at APN 418-102-020 (See Figure 1), it appears to require substantial upgrades necessary to meet the regulations set forth by the California Building Code (CBC) and City of Beaumont development standards. Further, based upon staff's preliminary staffing requirements for business operations at 560 Magnolia Avenue, those requirements would result in a facility that is interim at-best and would not be capable of meeting the mid-term or the long-term needs of the District.

To be conservative, District staff analyzed expansion requirements per the CBC for a total of 25 employees located in the main office (plus the requirements for the Board room's occupancy load, in the event the engineering staff was to return to the main building. Staff further identified that in order to return the engineering staff and provide for some future growth, a total occupancy load around 35 employees in the main office after expansion was presumed to be a reasonable target based on preliminary long-term planning projections.

District staff has prepared Tables 3 and 4 which summarize the considerations to parking and plumbing that may be required for the expansion of the existing building.



Parking Facilities Requirements						
	Existing Number of Parking Facilities	Total Number of Parking Facilities Required for Expansion				
Standard Parking Spaces	36	102				
Designated Accessible Parking Spaces	2	5				
Available Street Parking	15	15				
Compact Parking Spaces	0	14				
Total	53	136				

Table 3 – Existing Building Expansion Parking Considerations

Additionally, considerations for the existing buildings' plumbing system would need to be made. Table 4 identifies the plumbing considerations that may be required.

Table 4 – Existing Building Expansion Plumbing Considerations

Existing Plumbing Facilities					
Plumbing Item	Male	Female	Unisex	Other	Note
Water Closets [Toilets]	1	2	1		
Urinals [Fixtures per Person]	1				
Lavatories [Sinks]	1	2	1		
Drinking Fountains/Facilities [Fixtures per Person]				2	
Other				1	Sink in Break Room

Required Plumbing Facilities for Expansion					
Plumbing Item	Male	Female	Unisex	Other	Note
Water Closets [Toilets]	2	4	1		
Urinals [Fixtures per Person]	1				
Lavatories [Sinks]	1	2	1		
Drinking Fountains/Facilities					
[Fixtures per Person]				2	
Other				1	Sink in Break Room

Other areas to be considered may include (but not limited to): electrical demand increase, sewer, ADA accessibility, fire protection, and stormwater/water quality.



Figure 1 – District Property



Staff identifies that in order to utilize the District's property identified in Figure 1 (APN 418-102-020), or other District acquired properties near 560 Magnolia Avenue, there would need to be coordination with the City of Beaumont and other utilities. Gas, electric, water, sewer, and fiber optic utilities are all available at this location, however, each will need to be assessed further. Additionally, coordination would need to occur between the District and the City of Beaumont due to an existing sewer line which runs north to south in the alley between 560 Magnolia and the parcels described above.

As stated previously, there is currently no available office space for any additional staff at 560 Magnolia, and there does not appear be adequate space to create additional cubicle workstations for staff not requiring office space within the footprint of the existing building without reconfiguring the General Manager's office, the executive meeting room, or the board room.

12th and Palm Operations Facility

Staff also reviewed redevelopment of the 12th and Palm site to install a new temporary modular office building, however, staff does not believe the site can be redeveloped to provide the increased building size currently anticipated to support current and future field staff (minimum size of 36' wide x 60' long). This minimum temporary facility would most likely be configured as shown in Figure 2 and could possibly be located on one of the District's owned parcels (see discussion further below).





Figure 2 -Temporary Operations Staff Office Building Configuration

Utilization of District-Owned Property for Construction of EOC

As another potential solution for the District's office facilities needs, District staff also reviewed current District-owned property which may be sufficient for another facility to house the District's Engineering and Operations Center (EOC). The EOC would include office space for the engineering and operations departments, as well as a yard for District field staff. Preliminarily, the administration services departments would remain in the main office at 560 Magnolia Avenue to the EOC which would provide room for additional growth at 560 Magnolia Avenue.

District staff reviewed the various properties currently owned by the District and may be suitable for the facility needs of an EOC. At a minimum, District staff believes that an 8-10-acre site would be most beneficial for the EOC, as well as potentially a well site.

The various District-owned properties which may be suitable for development of an EOC are identified in Table 5 and shown in Figure 3 and Figure 4 below.

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Property Location	APN	Gross Acreage	Net Usable Acreage
Hannon Tank	407-150-021	20.4±	7.5±
Taylor Tank	407-140-029	29.5±	29.5±
Cherry Avenue	401-142-036	15.7±	7.7±

Table 5 – District-Owned Propertie	s
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Figure 3 – Hannon Tank & Taylor Tank

Figure 4 – District Property on Cherry Avenue





Hannon Tank Property:

As indicated in Table 5, there is approximately 7.5 acres of usable development area at the Hannon Tank Site. This area would likely be sufficient to develop the needed District facilities. A full review of the utilities required to be extended to/along the property frontage would be necessary, but at a minimum the following would be required:

- Septic
- Water (must be boosted from Hannon Tank to achieve adequate pressure)
- Electric
- Gas
- Fiber Optic
- Roadway improvements may be required along Cherry Valley Boulevard
- Considerations for grading

With the intent of drilling a District well at the site of the EOC, this site may not be viable as this site is in the Singleton Basin (located outside of the Beaumont Basin) and this basin most likely does not have sufficient storage capacity to be a viable site where there are no adjudication limitations on groundwater pumping.

A benefit is that the site would be easily accessible by District field staff and is strategically located within the District's service area and close to nearby freeway access (Cherry Valley Boulevard).

Property West of Taylor Tank:

As indicated in Table 5, there is approximately 29.5 acres of usable development area at APN 407-140-029, just west of the Taylor Tank site. A full review of the utilities required to be extended to/along the property frontage would be necessary, but at a minimum the following would be required:

- Septic
- Water (must be boosted from Taylor Tank to achieve adequate pressure)
- Electric
- Gas
- Fiber Optic
- Roadway improvements would be required along Golden Valley Lane
- Considerations for grading

With the intent of drilling a District well at the site of the EOC, this site may not be viable as this site is in the Singleton Basin (located outside of the Beaumont Basin) and this basin most likely does not have sufficient storage capacity to be a viable site, where there are no adjudication limitations on groundwater pumping.

A challenge for development on this property is the terrain. Substantial earthwork would be required to make the land suitable for development.

There has been past discussion regarding a potential raw water treatment plant to be constructed at this location; with the construction of the EOC, there would still be adequate space for water treatment facilities which would allow the District to directly distribute (no recharge or pumping required) water received from the East Branch Extension turnout at the northwest corner of Taylor Drive and Orchard Street.



APN 401-142-036 (Cherry Avenue):

This parcel includes approximately 7.7 acres of usable development area; currently the District has granted an easement to Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (RCFC&WCD) to operate and maintain a stormwater debris retention system along Noble Creek at this parcel. Said debris retention system (bollards) have been heavily relied upon in the recent storms in December 2021. RCFC&WCD facilities have been constructed in the northwest portion of the property, which is in a Zone A Flood Zone. Development on this parcel would likely be a challenge due to its close proximity to the flood plain.

Another factor which makes this property less suitable for the location of the EOC is that it is not centrally located in relation to the District's service area.

A full review of the utilities required to be extended to/along the property frontage would be necessary, but at a minimum the following would be required:

- Septic
- Water (service is available nearby from Noble Tank, no boosting necessary)
- Electric
- Gas
- Fiber Optic
- Roadway improvements may be required along Cherry Avenue
- Considerations for extensive grading to mitigate the flood hazard

Similar to the other two parcels discussed, this property is located outside the Beaumont Basin and would not be subject to pumping limitations. However, a hydrogeological study would have to be completed to identify the available yield from groundwater in this area, as there are faults located in this area which may limit the amount of available groundwater.

Current Properties for Sale Within the District's Sphere of Influence

District staff has also researched properties in the area which are for sale (as of February 14, 2022) and may be suitable for the District's needs for the development of the EOC. A list of said properties is included in Table 6 below.

Property Location	APN	Gross Acreage	Land Cost
Cherry Valley	407-350-023	7.8	\$135,000
City of Beaumont	207-140-029	7.18	\$300,000
Cherry Avenue	405-250-007	19.1	\$1,000,000
Cherry Valley	407-060-008	35	\$499,000
Cherry Valley	407-140-037	6.99	\$640,000

 Table 6 – Properties for Sale in District's Service Area

The locations of APN 407-350-023 and APN 407-060-008 are shown below in Figure 5.



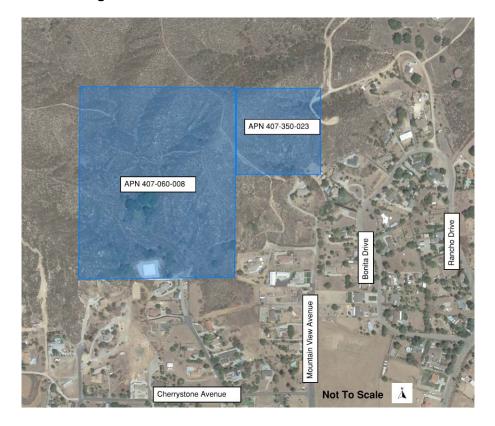


Figure 5 – APN 407-350-023 & APN 407-060-008

Neither of these parcels would be likely candidates for development of an EOC, despite meeting size requirements for the facility. Both of these parcels would require extensive grading (due to the mountainous terrain) to make the land suitable for development, and significant roadway improvements would need to be completed, as currently, access to both of these parcels is by dirt access road. APN 407-350-023 is located outside of the District's service area, so annexation would be required. All necessary utilities for an EOC would need to be extended to either parcel, which would increase the construction costs drastically.

Lastly, both parcels are located towards the northernmost end of the District's sphere, and would not provide for a central location to access the other area of the District for service, maintenance, repair, and construction of District infrastructure.



APN 414-020-011:

The location of APN 414-020-011 is shown in Figure 6 below.



Figure 6 – APN 414-020-011

This parcel would require a land use change. Access to this parcel would be ideal for an EOC; access could be taken by Elm Avenue or Oak Valley Parkway, and the parcel is generally centrally located within the District's service boundary. Water service would be available without any additional booster pumping requirements, and connections to existing sewer, electric, gas, and fiber optic would be required.

This parcel is within the Beaumont Basin, so any well activity in this area is subject to the pumping requirements of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster.

An issue with this parcel is that there is a creek immediately south of the parcel, which would put any future District facility within a potential flood zone.



APN 405-250-007:

The location of APN 405-250-007 is shown in Figure 7 below.



Figure 7 – APN 405-250-007

This parcel would require a land use change. Access to this parcel would be ideal for an EOC; access could be taken by Nancy Avenue or Cherry Valley Boulevard, and the parcel is generally centrally located within the District's sphere. Water service would be available without any additional booster pumping requirements, and connections to existing sewer, electric, gas, and fiber optic would be required.

This parcel is within the Beaumont Basin, so any well activity in this area is subject to the pumping requirements of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster. This parcel is not currently within the District's service area, so annexation would be required.

Further research would need to be done to determine if any mitigation measures would be necessary for development due the waterway created within the property by storm runoff from north of Cherry Valley Boulevard on Nancy Avenue.



APN 407-140-037:

The location of APN 407-140-037 is shown in Figure 8 below.



Figure 8 – APN 407-140-037

This parcel would require a land use change. Located adjacent to Taylor Tank (and existing District-owned parcel as depicted in Figure 3), water service would require additional booster pumping to meet adequate service pressure. Utilities would need to be extended along the property frontage on Golden Valley Lane, and roadway improvements may be required for Golden Valley Lane.

This parcel is currently not within the District's service boundary, so annexation would be required. The property is generally centrally local in relation to the District's existing service area boundary.

With the intent of drilling a District well at the site of the EOC, this site may not be viable as this site is in the Singleton Basin (located outside of the Beaumont Basin) and this basin most likely does not have sufficient storage capacity to be a viable site, where there are no adjudication limitations on groundwater pumping.

Conclusions and Next Steps

Staff has concluded that redevelopment of 560 Magnolia Avenue presents some significant challenges that may not reward the District enough to warrant the expansion of this existing facility.

A better option may be to focus on developing a near term solution for the Engineering and Operations staff (possibly a 36' or 48' by 60' modular office) located at an existing district property or purchased available property while pursuing a final solution for an EOC (with possibly some staff members from the 560 Magnolia Avenue facility located there as well). This would provide



for maximum staff consolidation while moving the District forward as necessary to meet long term planning objectives.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact to the District is unknown at this time. These items have been brought forth to the Board, and preliminary land acquisition costs have been provided as a basis for discussion. However, upon direction from the Board, District staff can provide an estimate of development costs for expansion of the existing office, or the costs related to construction of an EOC at another location, including utilities, rough earthwork, and the costs of any other studies (environmental, hydrogeological, etc.).

Attachments:

- 1. 7/31/2019 BCVWD Staff Memorandum: New Engineering and Operations Center
- 2. 9/26/2019 Engineering Workshop PowerPoint regarding BCVWD Engineering and Operations Departments Preliminary Facilities Needs Analysis and Estimate

Staff Report prepared by Daniel Baguyo, Civil Engineering Assistant



Item 6

STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Dan Jaggers, General Manager

SUBJECT: Consideration of California Drought Conditions, District Urban Water Management Plan Drought Restrictions and BCVWD Resolution 2014-05 Regarding Issuance of Will-Serve Letters and Other Drought Response

Staff Recommendation

None. Direct staff as desired.

<u>News:</u>

'It could end up that this winter is actually contributing to the drought': Record-long snowless streak measured in the Sierra

Scientists at UC Berkeley's Central Sierra Snow Lab have recorded 33 days in a row without rain or snow. That is now the longest dry streak during the winter months since records began in 1970

KCRA 3 2/10/2022 https://www.kcra.com/article/record-long-snowless-streakmeasured/39039334?mc_cid=0d95d8d6c5&mc_eid=af1fcc254a#

'One of the Worst Januarys Ever' Santa Clara Valley Water Officials Sound Alarm After Dry Start to 2022

KPIX 5 CBS SF Bay Area 2/8/2022 https://sanfrancisco.cbslocal.com/2022/02/08/california-drought-santa-clara-valley-waterofficials-sound-alarm-new-year-dry-start/

What is the future of snow? Grappling with climate change and warmer winters The Nevada Independent 2/10/2022 <u>https://thenevadaindependent.com/article/what-is-the-future-of-snow-grappling-with-climate-change-and-warmer-winters</u>

California desperately needs rain. What are the chances of a "miracle" in March? SF Gate 2/5/2022

https://www.sfgate.com/weather/article/What-are-chances-of-Miracle-March-16832171.php

California's 2022 Water Year – Both Wet and Dry

Jay Lund, Professor, Center for Watershed Sciences, UC Davis 2/6/2022 https://californiawaterblog.com/2022/02/06/californias-2022-water-year-both-wet-and-dry/

Dry January Conditions Return Snowpack to Near Average Levels

Calif Dept of Water Resources news release 2/1/2022 https://water.ca.gov/News/News-Releases/2022/Feb-22/Snow-Survey-February-2022



17 feet of snow sparked hope for quelling California's drought. Then precipitation "flatlined" in January CNN 2/3/2022

https://edition.cnn.com/2022/02/03/us/california-drought-snow-dry-january-climate/index.html

Does California's Dry Start to 2022 Mean the Drought is Locked in Until Next Winter? Weather Underground 2/8/2022 <u>https://www.wunderground.com/article/forecast/national/news/2022-02-07-california-dry-winter-</u> drought-conditions

Aerial technology being used to gather snowpack data Fox 40 2/7/2022 https://fox40.com/news/california-connection/aerial-technology-being-used-to-gather-snowpackdata/

Resources

National Groundwater Awareness Week: March 6 - 12, 2022 <u>https://www.ngwa.org/get-involved/groundwater-awareness-week/groundwater-awareness-week/groundwater-awareness-week-2022</u>

CalMatters Water and Drought Tracker https://calmatters.org/california-drought-monitor/

CalMatters Explainer: Danger in Droughtsville: California's urban water at risk https://calmatters.org/explainers/danger-in-droughtsville-california-urban-water-at-risk/

State Water Board Draft Emergency Regulations Prohibiting Wasteful Water Use https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/conservation_portal/emergency_regula_tion.html

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Snow maps, etc. https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/ca/home/

NOAA / National Integrated Drought Information System Snow Drought: Data and maps <u>https://www.drought.gov/topics/snow-drought</u>





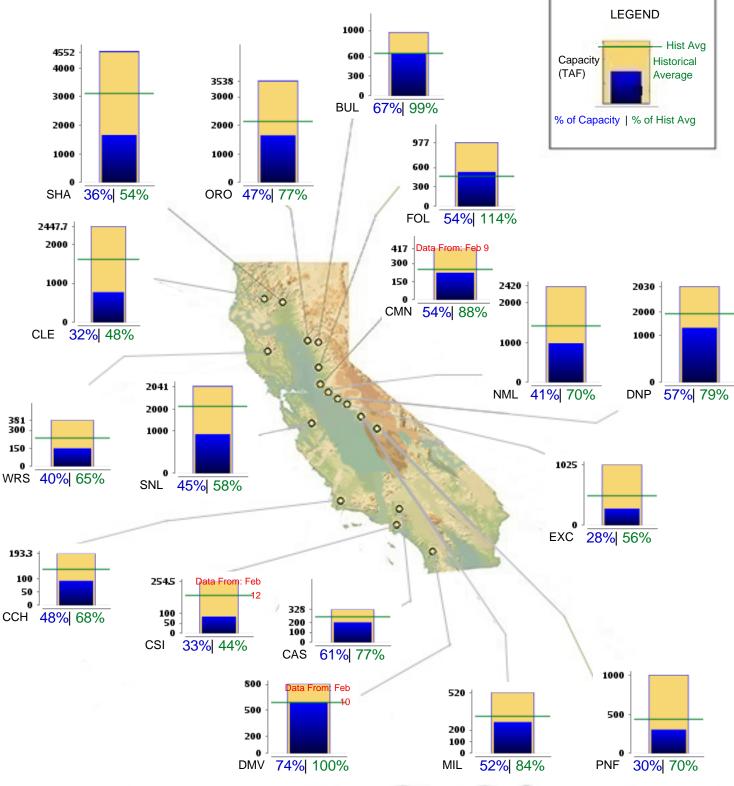
Attachments

- 1. Current Reservoir Conditions February 10, 2022
- 2. California Drought Monitor Map February 8, 2022
- 3. Statewide Snow Water Content February 11, 2022



Midnight - February 13, 2022

CALIFORNIA MAJOR WATER SUPPLY RESERVOIRS CURRENT CONDITIONS



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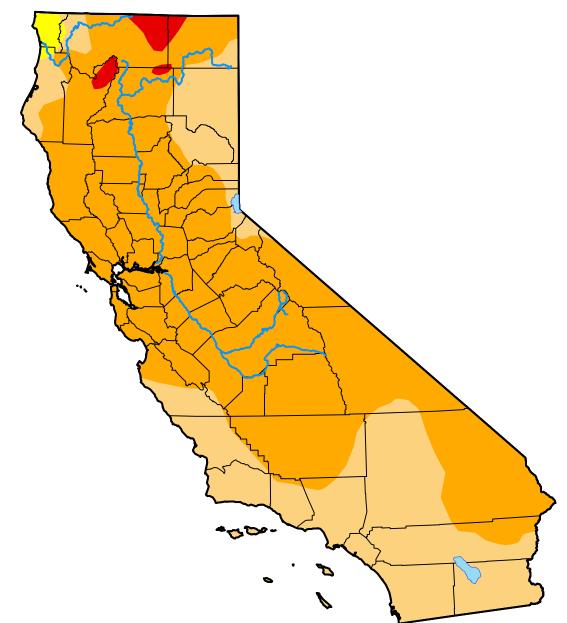
U.S. Drought Monitor California

February 8, 2022

(Released Thursday, Feb. 10, 2022)

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)



D0-D4 D1-D4 D2-D4 D3-D4 None D4 0.00 100.00 99.25 Current 66.42 1.39 0.00 Last Week 0.00 100.00 99.25 66.39 1.39 0.00 02-01-2022 3 Months Ago 0.00 100.00 100.00 92.43 80.28 37.62 11-09-2021 Start of 100.00 99.30 0.00 67.62 16.60 0.84 **Calendar Year** 01-04-2022 Start of 100.00 100.00 93.93 0.00 87.88 45.66 Water Year 09-28-2021 One Year Ago 0.64 99.36 85.10 57.87 31.41 3.75 02-09-2021

Intensity:

None D0 Abnormally Dry





D2 Severe Drought

D3 Extreme Drought

D1 Moderate Drought

D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx

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CURRENT REGIONAL SNOWPACK FROM AUTOMATED SNOW SENSORS

% of April 1 Average / % of Normal for This Date



NORTH	
Data as of February 11, 2022	
Number of Stations Reporting	30
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	15.9
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	55
Percent of normal for this date (%)	74

CENTRAL		
Data as of February 11, 2022		
Number of Stations Reporting	42	
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	17.1	
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	59	
Percent of normal for this date (%)	81	

SOUTH	
Data as of February 11, 2022	
Number of Stations Reporting	30
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	13.8
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	55
Percent of normal for this date (%)	79

STATE	
Data as of February 11, 2022	
Number of Stations Reporting	102
Average snow water equivalent (Inches)	15.8
Percent of April 1 Average (%)	57
Percent of normal for this date (%)	79

Statewide Average: 57% / 79%



Update: Legislative Action and Issues Affecting BCVWD

CHANGES MADE OR NEW SINCE LAST UPDATE	NO CHANGES MADE	
FEDERAL		

02/14/2022 CSDA Federal Update: by Vanessa Gonzales

Congress is shifting its attention to federal government funding, with the current Continuing Resolution (CR) set to expire on Feb. 18. As of 2/16, the Senate is expected to pass a stopgap funding bill (HR 6617) to avoid a government shutdown. The short-term stopgap spending bill will reportedly maintain current Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 spending levels through Friday, March 11. If Congress passes a CR through March 11, lawmakers will use the extra three weeks to reconcile differences and agree on the contours of a full FY 2022 funding package. Negotiations on the omnibus package <u>continued</u> last week and through the weekend with little progress, prompting leaders to hint to the short-term approach. Senate Appropriations Committee Ranking Member Richard Shelby (R-AL) shared with reporters that compromises on the appropriations topline numbers had not gone anywhere. "We haven't resolved anything yet," Shelby said. Slowing the FY 2022 appropriations process are disagreements on "parity" levels for defense and non-defense spending increases and which policy riders should be allowed to remain in the package. Senators placed a procedural hold on the bill over concerns about a Department of Health and Human Services drug harm reduction program. Senators also said they would not agree to spending bills that do not block government COVID-19 vaccine requirements.

Senate Democrats' plans for President Biden's **Build Back Better (BBB) Act** and Supreme Court nominee received a setback last week. On Tuesday, Senator Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM) had undergone surgery to ease swelling for a stroke he had. The expectation is that he will make a full recovery as <u>stated</u> by his Chief of Staff in a press release. The Senator's <u>reported</u> recovery time is four to six weeks, barring any major setbacks. Democrats will need to alter the legislative session given the Senate's 50-50 dynamic. "We do not anticipate any difficulties, Senate Judiciary Committee Chair Dick Durbin (D-IL) told reporters regarding the Supreme Court nominee process.

A group of bipartisan senators are working to <u>overhaul</u> the Electoral Count Act. This law, dating back to 1887, mandates how Congress counts the 538 Electoral College votes from all 50 states and the District of Columbia. A group of senators, led by Sens. Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), expressed optimism on passing a reform package on this issue. Last week, the House passed, by a vote of <u>222-210</u>, the **America COMPETES Act of 2022** (<u>H.R. 4521</u>), which authorizes \$190 billion for U.S. technology and research to compete with China and provides \$52 billion to increase U.S. semiconductor production. The Senate will take up the House bill and pass an amended version of the package, although the timeframe for passing the bill may depend on the amount of opposition from Senate Republicans. The House and Senate will then likely enter a formal conference committee to agree on a final package for Congress to consider.

Several House committee hearings will be held, including a Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment <u>hearing</u> on "**Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2022: Stakeholder Priorities**." A holdup to the omnibus budget bill has been the Build Back Better effort, which contains some potentially duplicative elements. It is expected that the President's budget request will arrive at the Hill in mid-March or early April due to the input of many new cabinet members (likely requiring another continuing resolution).

Agencies have begun to implement the Infrastructure bill. The White House released a guidebook and held an implementation webinar.

Expected for California in the \$1 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act are:

- -\$25.3 billion over five years for repairing roads in the state that are in poor condition
- -\$4.2 billion over five years for repairing bridges in the state that are in poor condition
- -\$3.5 billion for water infrastructure and eliminating lead pipes in the state
- —\$1.5 billion for airport infrastructure
- -\$384 million over five years to build a network of chargers for electric vehicles
- -At least \$100 million to install more broadband coverage
- -\$84 million over five years for wildfire protection
- —\$40 million over five years for cyber attack protection
- -An unnamed sum from a \$3.5 billion federal fund for "weatherization which will reduce energy costs for families"

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: The Treasury published the final Rule on the implementation of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) on 1/27/22, and it take effect on 4/1/22. These funds will provide support to State, territorial, and Tribal governments, as well as counties, cities and nonentitlement units of local of local governments in responding to the public health and economic impacts of COVID-19. ACWA had submitted comments on expanding eligible categories for water infrastructure projects, now included in the final rule. It includes water and sewer infrastructure projects, stormwater infrastructure, residential wells, lead remediation and certain rehabilitation of dams and reservoirs (if deemed "necessary").

CSDA reports that the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) is floating new legislation to amend a longstanding series of exemptions to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act of 2000 regarding the extension of services by contract or agreement outside jurisdictional boundary. CSDA is seeking input from special districts. The proposal would seek to amend Government Code 56133, which deals with extension of services beyond a district's boundaries but has exceptions, such as where two public agencies contract for like services, among others. The proposal would require a local agency (special district) seeking to use the extension in the Code to instead obtain a legal determination from their LAFCO as to whether the statutory exemption applies to that agency's situation.

Issue	Status	Description
HR535: Special	1/28/21 – Introduced.	Update: Unfortunately, elements of H.R. 535/S. 91, the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act, are not included in the \$1.9
Districts Provide	Ref to Committee on	trillion stimulus bill. The bill is now in the U.S. Senate, where the procedure will be governed under the Upper Chamber's reconciliation
Essential Services	Oversight and	rule, which includes the ability for Senators to propose amendments on the Floor
Act	Reform, and in	Representative John Garamendi, D-Calif., and U.S. Senator Kyrsten Sinema, D-Ariz., re-introduced landmark special districts
	addition to the	legislation (H.R. 535 and S. 91, the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act) to provide special districts with certain access
Senate companion	Committee on	to future local government pandemic relief.
bill: S. 91	Financial Services	2/16/22 – No change in status

HR 199: Direct Support for Communities Act To provide funding for cities, counties, and other units of general local government to prevent, prepare for, and respond to	1/5/21 – Introduced, ref to Com on Appropriations 2/16/22 – No change in status	Rep. Antonio Delgado Press Release: Re-introduced bipartisan <i>Direct Support for Communities Act</i> to ensure that every single community, regardless of size, can access urgently needed COVID-19 relief funding from the federal government. In March 2020, Congress passed the <i>CARES Act</i> , which provided \$500 billion for communities with over 500,000 residents, meaning smaller towns and cities were unable to access desperately needed federal COVID-19 relief funding to help make ends meet. In May of last year, to respond to the concerns of local communities, Reps. Delgado and Zeldin introduced a bipartisan solution: the <i>Direct Support for Communities Act</i> . The bill creates a funding mechanism that allows smaller communities direct access to federal funding. These funds will help prevent the layoffs of public health care workers, firefighters, police, sanitation workers, teachers, and other vital public servants, and ensure that all counties, cities, towns, and villages, regardless of size, have the financial resources needed to continue to provide these necessary services and to avoid local tax and fee increases
		have the financial resources needed to continue to provide these necessary services and to avoid local tax and fee increases that will put more burden on already cash-strapped families and businesses in this crisis. The <i>Direct Support for Communities Act</i> was the formula adopted in both the <i>Heroes</i> and <i>Updated Heroes Act</i> , which the House passed in 2020.

S 91: Special Districts Provide	1/28/21 – Introduced 2/16/22 – No change in	This bill makes special districts eligible for the Coronavirus Relief Fund and the Municipal Liquidity Facility program. Specifically, the bill makes special districts eligible for payments from amounts paid to states from any new appropriations to
Essential Services	status	the fund. A special district must submit a request for payment to the state with information demonstrating that the special
Act		 district has experienced or is likely to experience during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) emergency reduced revenue or operational funding derived from provided services, taxes, fees, or other sources of revenue;
Companion Bill: HR		 reduced indirect funding from the federal government, the state, or a unit of general government below the state
535		level; or
		 as a result of the COVID-19 emergency, increased expenditures necessary to continue operations.
		The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall include special districts as eligible issuers in the Municipal
		Liquidity Facility program, which was created in response to the COVID-19 emergency to buy municipal securities.
		While elements of <u>S. 91</u> , the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act, were not incorporated in the Senate's package,
		explicit authority for state and local government receiving relief monies to transfer aid to special districts is included. CSDA
		and national partners continue to explore approaches to legislatively insert S. 91's five percent set-aside for state relief allocations, as substantive amendments to the underlying legislation have been discouraged from Senate leadership
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S 914 Drinking Water	3/23/21 Introduced	Authorizes the investment of more than \$35 billion in water infrastructure projects across the country that "focus on
and Wastewater	4/29/21 Passed Senate.	upgrading our aging infrastructure, addressing the threat of climate change, investing in new technologies, and
Infrastructure Act of	4/30/21 – Held at Desk in	providing assistance for marginalized communities." The bill includes nearly \$30 billion in funding for the Clean
2021	House	Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) and an
	2/16/22 – No change in	additional \$6 billion in grant funding over fiscal years 2022-2026
	status	

HR 2482 - "Making Imperiled Communities Resistant to Outages with Generation that is Resilient, Islandable, and Distributed" (MICROGRID) Act	4/13/21 – Introduced and ref to House Ways and Means 2/16/22 – No change in status	From CSDA: To incentivize microgrid development and rehabilitation to provide backup power to communities and essential facilities during power outages and emergencies. Special districts would be eligible for reimbursements on qualified microgrid projects. The Act is an effort to develop climate-resilient infrastructure as extreme weather events become increasingly common, and it is a response to ongoing threats of power outages and Public Safety Power Shutoff events. "The MICROGRID Act is a solution to facilitate local governments' ability to develop much-needed resources and continue providing reliable, critical services in times of PSPS events and grid unreliability," said Neil McCormick, CEO of the California Special Districts Association, in a statement provided to Panetta's office ahead of the bill's introduction. "California's special districts applaud Congressman Panetta for leading on this legislation, and for ensuring special districts are included in direct credits for developing qualified microgrids." The legislation clarifies tax credit eligibility for elements necessary for microgrid construction. Special districts would be eligible for 30 percent reimbursements in the form of direct payments for qualified projects through 2025. Credits phase out to 10 percent by 2028 and sunset in 2029. Eligible microgrids would provide as little as 4 kilowatts and as high as 50 megawatts, which would be sufficient to island critical infrastructure such as water pumps at well sites, wastewater treatment facilities, medical facilities, emergency facilities and other essential infrastructure necessary for continuity of special districts' services.
HR 5960 and S 2520: State and Local Government Cybersecurity Act of 2021	11/12/21 – Introduced 11/12/21 – Ref to House Com on Homeland Security	CSDA update: The National Special Districts Coalition (NSDC), of which CSDA is a founding member, on Monday 2/6 communicated to the House Homeland Security Committee its support for the bipartisan <i>State and Local Government Cybersecurity Act of 2021</i> . The legislation – <u>H.R. 5960 (Neguse)</u> and <u>S. 2520 (Peters)</u> – would allow the Department of Homeland Security's cybersecurity agencies to enhance communication of vital information regarding potential cyber threats, vulnerabilities, and breaches to state and local governments. The bills would also authorize federal resources to help state and local governments to prevent and recover from future cyberattacks.

CHANGES MADE OR NEW SINCE LAST UPDATE

NO CHANGES MADE

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Budget: On January 10, Governor Newsom proposed an FY 2023 budget of \$286.4 billion an increase of 9 percent over 2021. An informative article can also be found here: https://www.csda.net/blogs/vanessa-gonzales/2022/01/18/in-response-to-state-budget-special-districts-seek . The budget must be passed by June 15, and negotiations have begun.. It includes an investment of \$750 million for drought resilience programs which includes grants for water efficiency, demand reduction, and maintenance of a drought vulnerability tool, along with grants to water districts to fund planning, engineering, analysis and construction for groundwater recharge projects. It also proposes a clean energy investment plan, and \$1.2 million over two years for forest health and fire prevention. Budget info: https://www.ebudget.ca.gov/

Update: The backers of this measure have ended their effort to place it on the Nov 2022 ballot and will instead work toward 2024.11/15/21: News from California Farm Bureau: "A proposed California ballot initiative, which could appear before voters in November 2022, seeks greater state investment to increase the annual supply of water in California by 5 million acre-feet. The Water Infrastructure Funding Act of 2022 is now being circulated for signatures. It proposes to allocate 2% of the state's general fundcurrently equal to about \$3.5 billion per year—for projects that increase California's water supply. The measure has just fewer than 180 days to gather the necessary number of signatures from California voters to qualify for the ballot. If passed by voters, the initiative would permit as much as half of those funds to be used to finance large water-supply projects immediately." Read more: https://www.agalert.com/story/?id=15425

The California Legislature reconvened on January 3, 2022. The deadline for submission of bills for this legislative session was February 18.

Issue

Status

Description

ACA 1 - Local government financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure: voter approval.	12/7/20 – Introduced 4/22/21 – Ref to Coms on Local Govt and Appropriations 2/9/22 No change in status	CSDA description: 55% vote threshold for special taxes. Summary: The California Constitution prohibits the ad valorem tax rate on real property from exceeding 1% of the full cash value of the property, subject to certain exceptions. This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit that would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing, or the acquisition or lease of real property for those purposes, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, and the proposition includes specified accountability requirements.
SCR 5: State of emergency: COVID- 19: termination	12/22/20 – Introduced 2/2/21 – Amended in Com on Rules 2/10/21 – Ref to Com on Gov Organization	This measure, in accordance with specified law, would declare that the state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, is at an end, thereby terminating the emergency powers granted to the Governor as a result of that proclamation. 2/9/22– No change in status.
AB 15: COVID-19 relief: Tenant Stabilization Act of 2021	12/7/20 – Introduced 1/11/21 – Ref to Com on Housing and Community Development 1/31/22 DEAD	 Press Release: <u>California State Assembly Bills 15 & 16</u>, from Asm. David Chiu (D-San Francisco), will extend and improve AB 3088. AB 15 will: Extend the time period prohibiting evictions for inability to pay rent in full through 2021 and expanding just-cause provisions for eviction. Curb predatory forms of rent debt collection in court, curb predatory rental repayment agreements, prohibit late fees, and minimize the negative effects of debt for tenants applying for new housing. Allow city governments to pass stronger local protections if they so choose. AB 16 will address longer-term concerns around debt, harassment, and relief for rents and mortgages. CSDA Summary 1/13/21: Would extend the definition of "COVID-19 rental debt" as unpaid rent or any other unpaid financial obligation of a tenant that came due between March 1, 2020, and December 31, 2021. The bill would also extend the repeal date of the act to January 1, 2026. The bill would make other conforming changes to align with these extended dates. By extending the repeal date of the act, the bill would expand the crime of perjury and create a statemandated local program.

AB 16: COVID-19 Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Act of 2021	12/7/20 – Introduced 1/13/21 – Amended and ref to Com on Housing and Community Development 1/14/22: DEAD	CSDA Summary 1/13/21: Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact the Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Act of 2021 to address the long-term financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on renters, small landlords, and affordable housing providers, ensure ongoing housing stability for tenants at risk of eviction, and stabilize rental properties at risk of foreclosure. This bill would include legislative findings and declarations in support of the intended legislation.
AB 84: Employment: COVID-19: Supplemental Paid Sick Leave	12/7/20: Introduced	CSDA opposed. CSDA Summary 2/9/22: Beginning Jan. 1, 2022 to 9/30/22 provide for COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave for covered employees who are unable to work or telework due to certain reasons related to COVID-19, including that employee is attending a COVID-19 vaccine or booster appointment for themselves or family member, is experiencing symptoms or is caring for a family member experiencing symptoms, related to a vaccine or booster. Would entitle a covered employee to 40 hours of COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave
AB 343: California Public Records Act: Ombudsperson	1/28/21 – Introduced 6/1/21 Passed Assembly. 6/9/21 Senate Com on Judiciary 2/9/22– No change in status	CSDA Summary: Would establish, within the California State Auditor's Office, the California Public Records Act Ombudsperson. The bill would require the California State Auditor to appoint the ombudsperson subject to certain requirements. The bill would require the ombudsperson to receive and investigate requests for review, as defined, determine whether the denials of original requests, as defined, complied with the California Public Records Act, and issue written opinions of its determination, as provided. The bill would require the ombudsperson to create a process to that effect and would authorize a member of the public to submit a request for review to the ombudsperson consistent with that process. The bill would require the ombudsperson, within 30 days from receipt of a request for review, to make a determination, as provided, and would require the ombudsperson to require the state agency to provide the public record if the ombudsperson determines that it was improperly denied.
AB 1500: Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022	2/19/21 – Introduced. 5/12 – Ref to Com on Appropriations 5/20/21 Passed and ref to Com on Rules 1/31/22 - DEAD	CSDA = support if amended. This would authorize bonds in the amount of \$6.7 billion to finance projects to address climate resiliency. According to the Daily Journal: The bill would earmark \$1.1 billion for wildfire protection; \$1.2 billion to address sea level rise; \$1.6 billion for safe drinking water; \$1.06 billion for natural disaster response; \$800 million for fish and wildlife adaptation; \$640 million to protect against extreme heat; and \$300 million to protect farms, ranches, and other land from climate risks. Similar bill to SB 45

AB 1543: Affordable Housing and Community Development Funding Act	2/19/21 Introduced 1/14/22 - DEAD	From CSDA: AB 1543 (Bloom), a measure that would have diverted property tax increment away from special districts, cities, counties, and schools, has failed to advance. This "two-year bill", introduced in 2021, needed to clear two legislative policy hearings this week to stay ahead of legislative deadlines. Following opposition from CSDA and coalition partners, AB 1543 author Assemblymember Richard Bloom withdrew his legislation from consideration. CSDA thanks the Assemblymember for this action. Although BCVWD does not receive such revenue, agencies such as San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency do.
AB 1717: Public Works: Definition	1/27/22: Introduced 2/3/22: Ref to Com on L&E	CSDA Summary: Current law requires that, except as specified, not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, determined by the Director of Industrial Relations, e paid to workers employed on public works projects. Current law defined the term "public works" to include construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or paid work done under a contract and paid for using public funds, except as specified. Current law makes a willful violation of laws relating to the payment of prevailing wages on public works a misdemeanor. This bill would expand the definition of "public works" to include fuel reductio work paid for in whole or in part by public funds performed part of a fire mitigation project.
AB 1727: Public Works: fees: Small business	1/31/22 – Introduced	Would reduce the \$400 fee for a small business contractor to register with the Department of Industrial Relations to be qualified to bid on a public works contract.
AB 1774: CEQA: water conveyance or storage projects: judicial review	2/3/22 – Introduced	Would require the Judicial Council to adopt rules applicable to proceedings brought to attack or annual the certification or adoption of an environmental impact report for water conveyance or storage projects, or the granting of project approvals, including appeals, to eb resolved to the extent feasible within 270 days of the filing.
SB 37: Contaminated Site Cleanup and Safety Act	12/7/20 – Introduced 5/20/21 Passed Appropriations 6/2/21 Assembly – read first time 9/8/21 – Ordered to inactive at request of author 2/9/22 – No change in status	CSDA Summary 1/13/21: Current law requires the State Department of Health Care Services to compile a list of all public drinking water wells that contain detectable levels of organic contaminants and that are subject to water analysis by local health officers. Current law also requires the State Water Resources Control Board to compile a list of specified information, including, but not limited to, all cease-and-desist orders and cleanup and abatement orders issued under the Water Code that concern the discharge of wastes that are hazardous materials. Current law requires these agencies to update the information as appropriate, but at least annually, and to submit the information to the Secretary of Environmental Protection. Under current law, the Secretary for Environmental Protection is required to consolidate the information provided by these state agencies and distribute the information in a timely fashion to each city and county in which sites on the lists are located and to any other person upon request. The information consolidated and made available by the Secretary for Environmental Protection is commonly known as the "Cortese List." This bill would enact the Dominic Cortese "Cortese List" Act of 2021 and would recodify the above-described provisions with certain revisions.

SB 223: Discontinuation of residential water service	1/14/21 – Introduced. 5/3/21 Amended and ref to Appropriations 5/20/21 Hearing held, placed under submission Suspense File 1/21/22 - DEAD	ACWA and CSDA Oppose unless amended. ACWA comments: Companion legislation to SB 222, SB 223 (Dodd) would create new restrictions on the ability of water suppliers to discontinue residential service for nonpayment. The bill comes three years after the legislature passed SB 998 (Dodd), which created a one-size-fits-all statewide water service shutoff law, and just one year after water agencies began implementing that law. The author's intent with SB 223 is to strengthen and extend existing statutorily required protocols and procedures to protect low-income households that face, or have already experienced, discontinuation of water service due to nonpayment. However, the bill re-writes several key provisions in SB 998, without any evidence that such changes are necessary. The bill also proposes that water agencies forgive unpaid debt, raising significant concerns about the bill's compliance with Proposition 218 and the potential financial impact on ACWA member agencies. ACWA adopted an oppose unless-amended position and anticipates working closely with the author throughout the year. ACWA sent a Coalition letter in opposition, available here: https://www.acwa.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/SB-223-4-5-21-SenEUC-coalition-modified.pdf
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SB 230: State Water Resources Control Board: Constituents of Emerging Concern	Introduced 1/19/21 1/26/22 – Read first time	Would require the SWRCB to establish a program called the Constituents of Emerging Concern in Drinking Water Program for 5 years to assess the state of information and recommend areas for further study. Requires the State to convene a Science Advisory Panel to make recommendations and provide a full report to the Legislature by June 1, 2026.
SB 832: Water rights: measurement of Diversion	1/3/22 – Introduced 1/19/22 – Ref to Com on Natural Resources and Water	Clarifies that a person diverting 10-acre feet or more of water per year is subject to water diversion, measurement, recording and reporting requirements.
SB 890: Amend Water Code	1/13/22 Introduced 2/9/22 – Ref to Com on Natural Resources 3/8/22 – Hearing Date	Sun-Herald 2/9/2022: State Sen. Jim Nielsen, R-Red Bluff, and Sen. Andreas Borgeas, R-Fresno, introduced a bill last week that would have a significant impact on the Sites Reservoir project in Colusa County. The bill, Senate Bill 890, is meant to ensure millions of acre-feet of water is stored during wet years instead of being flushed out to sea, a release from California Senate Republicans said. According to the Republican senators, SB 890 would advance the goals of Proposition 1, passed in 2014, by "making significant investments in California's aboveground water storage and conveyance infrastructure." https://www.appeal-democrat.com/colusa_sun_herald/sen-nielsen-bill-seeks-to-help-sites-reservoir-project/article_836ec7fe-8907-11ec-abdf-df674695658d.html?mc_cid=0d95d8d6c5&mc_eid=af1fcc254a
SB 892: Cybersecurity preparedness: water and wastewater sector	1/31/22: Introduced	Would require water and wastewater system entity serving more than 3,300 people to report their risk assessments and emergency response plan required by the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 to the California Cybersecurity Integration Center, the Department of Water Resources, and the State Water Resources Control Board.

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