

SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR TELEPHONIC MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 7, 2022

The Board of Directors of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority convened at approximately 9:30 a.m. via teleconference in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and Resolution No. 2022-505 adopted by the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Board of Directors on March 10, 2022, with Chair Cannon Michael presiding.

Directors and Alternate Directors in Attendance

Division 1

- David Weisenberger, Director
Bobby Pierce, Director - Vince Lucchesi, Alternate
Anthea Hansen, Director
Lea Emmons, Alternate for Rick Gilmore

Division 2

- Ryan Ferguson, Director
William Bourdeau, Director
Beau Correia, Director - Ara Azhderian, Alternate
Bill Diedrich, Director

Division 3

- Dan McCurdy, Director - Jeff Bryant, Alternate
Jarrett Martin, Alternate for Chris White
Cannon Michael, Director
Ric Ortega, Director

Division 4

- John Varela, Director
Gary Kremen, Director
Jeff Cattaneo, Director

Division 5

- Tom Birmingham, Director - Jose Gutierrez, Alternate
Manny Amorelli, Director

Authority Representatives Present

- Federico Barajas, Executive Director
Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel
Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director
Cheri Worthy, Executive Secretary
Darlene Neves, Operational Accounting Supervisor
Jessica Gerard, Accounting Tech I
Stewart Davis, IT Officer

Others in Attendance

- Frances Mizuno, Mizuno Consulting
Dana Jacobson, Valley Water

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Dennis Cardoza, Foley & Lardner, LLP  
Andy Sells, ACWA/JPIA  
Mike Wade, California Farm Water Coalition  
Vincent Gin, Valley Water  
John Wiersma, Henry Miller Reclamation District  
Don Wright, WaterWrights  
Wilson Orvis, Friant Water Authority  
Tom Boardman, Westlands Water District

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cannon Michael and roll was called.

2. Board to Consider Additions or Corrections to the Agenda of Items, as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

No additions or corrections.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

No public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

4. Agenda Items 4-6: Board to Consider: a) Draft March 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes b) Acceptance of the Financial & Expenditures Reports, c) Staff Reports.

On a motion of Director Gary Kremen, seconded by Director William Bourdeau, the Board accepted the March 10, 2022 meeting minutes, Financial Expenditures Reports, and Staff Reports. The vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: Weisenberger, Pierce, Hansen, Emmons, Ferguson, Bourdeau, Correia, Diedrich, McCurdy, Jarrett Martin, Michael, Ortega, Varela, Kremen, Cattaneo, Birmingham, Amorelli

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ACTION ITEMS

5. Agenda Item 7: Board of Directors to Consider Adopting Resolution Re-Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Gavin Newsom (Mar. 4, 2020), Proclaiming the State of Emergency Continues to Directly Impact the Ability of Members of the Legislative Bodies of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority to Meet Safely in Person, and Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for Such Legislative Bodies for the Period April 7, 2022 through

May 7, 2022 Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions.

General Counsel Rebecca Akroyd provided a brief overview of this item. After a brief discussion no action was taken.

## REPORT ITEMS

### 11. Agenda Item 8: Presentation of Refund by Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority.

Andy Sells, ACWA/JPIA Chief Executive Officer reported that a check was mailed to the Authority in the amount of \$118,179. Sells reported that staff does a great job of taking advantage of JPIA resources. Executive Director Federico Barajas thanked ACWA/JPIA for their partnership.

### 12. Agenda Item 9: Report on State and Federal Affairs.

Water Policy Director Scott Petersen reported that the White House announced the nomination of David Applegate to be the Director of the U.S. Geological Services.

Petersen reported that Interior and Reclamation announced last month that Reclamation is going to be providing \$100 million for the B.F. Sisk Dam safety of dams project in California. Petersen reported that it is currently the largest project under the 1978 Safety of Dams Act, and it is going to add stability berms, and other dam safety features to the existing dam.

Petersen reported that DWR and the Authority announced the execution of a funding agreement to provide \$3.3 million initially, and up to \$23.8 million, from the enacted 2021 State Budget for the Delta Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project. Petersen reported that staff continues to pursue additional funding opportunities that would allow the Authority the opportunity to acquire additional non-state funding in order to maximize access to the \$23.8 million state budget allocation. Petersen reported that the Governor has proposed an additional \$100 million in the current budget proposal and staff is working with our legislative delegation to ensure that funding stays in when the budget bill is advanced later this year.

Dennis Cardoza reported that requests for funding for community projects are coming due, and an additional five requests per House member are allowed. Cardoza reported that no members will accept requests after April 15. Additional detail was provided by Bill Ball and Kristin Olsen.

### 13. Agenda Item 10: Executive Director's Report.

A. DMC Subsidence Correction Project - Executive Director Federico Barajas reported that the State Funding Agreement with Department of Water Resources was executed yesterday.

A. SLTP Update - Executive Director Federico Barajas referred to Frances Mizuno of Mizuno Consulting, along with Robert Porr and Lora Carpenter of Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, and

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Cameron Parks, Citibank, to provide a status update on the San Luis Transmission Project. Mizuno stated the Authority has been negotiating with WAPA and Reclamation on drafting the Project Development Agreement (PDA), Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and Transmission Services Agreements (TSA). The PDA is in final draft form, but there is one outstanding issue concerning the MOU.

Mizuno updated the committee on a Letter of Intent (LOI) approved by the Board that allows the Authority to replace Golden State Transmissions as first in the WAPA queue. This allows the Authority to proceed with the SLTP once the PDA and TSAs are executed.

Mizuno also reported on the risk of a delay in construction of the SLTP, and Parks provided an update on Municipal Market supply and demands, and the U.S. Treasury market movement.

Porr and Carpenter also presented possible solutions to mitigate for the event of a construction delay. Mizuno reported that the next steps include meeting with Reclamation to review the mitigation measures, complete the MOU, and circulate the draft PDA and MOU for review.

B. **Voluntary Agreements** – Executive Director Federico Barajas introduced the item. Barajas asked General Counsel Rebecca Akroyd to briefly summarize the MOU. Akroyd reported that on March 29 a number of parties signed the MOU advancing a Term Sheet for the Voluntary Agreements to update and implement the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan, and other related actions. Akroyd provided a brief overview of the both the MOU and the Term-Sheet.

C. **B.F. Sisk Activity Agreement** – Executive Director Federico Barajas reported that Authority staff has been working with members regarding the Activity Agreement that was approved by the Board in March. Barajas reminded the Board members to please notify the Authority by May 9 if their agency plans on participating in the Activity Agreement.

D. **Drought Coordination** – Executive Director Federico Barajas introduced Michael Jackson from the Bureau of Reclamation who provided a brief CVP operations status update. Jackson reported that Reclamation is not relying on rescheduled water in San Luis Reservoir for contract obligations or public health and safety supply. Jackson reported that Jones pumping will be at one unit through September. Jackson reported that San Luis Reservoir storage is at about 340 thousand acre-feet, and rescheduled water is about 279 acre-feet of that.

E. **Sexual Harassment Prevention/Ethics Training** - Executive Director Federico Barajas reminded the Board members and alternates to turn in their completion certificates.

14. **Agenda Item II: Chief Operating Officer's Report**

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave reported that starting April 15, the CVO Operations calls will be weekly, and anyone who would like to join please let him know.

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Arroyave reported that as it relates to all the EO&M work required at O'Neill in the next 5-10 years, staff has requested Reclamation's assistance this summer to complete a value planning review that will help make sure the projects are sequenced in the proper way.

**15. Agenda Item 12: Update on Water Operations and Forecasts**

Westlands Water District's Tom Boardman described Shasta storage conditions and stated that projected carry over storage will be very challenging for operations this year. Folsom conditions were also reported, including the current level of snowpack in the watershed.

Delta conditions were explained including a brief explanation of the operational implications of a Temporary Urgency Change Order that was issued by the State Water Resources Control Board earlier this month. Boardman estimated that Jones pumping would remain at its minimum level through the summer without significant precipitation.

The CVP share of San Luis storage was reported along with an explanation of the amount of Non-project and Project water currently stored in the reservoir. Boardman concluded with a discussion of the projected refill of CVP San Luis under 90% and 50% exceedance forecasts. Explanation of the SLR charts included a brief explanation of a scheduled Friant release to the Mendota Pool and a proposed exchange between Friant and MWD.

**16. Agenda Item 13: Committee Reports.**

- a. **Water Resources Committee** – Chair Tom Birmingham reported that the committee met and addressed agenda items.
- b. **Finance & Administration Committee** – The committee met and addressed agenda items.
- c. **O&M Committee** – No report.

**17. Agenda Item 14: Outside Agency/Organization Reports.**

- a. **State and Federal Contractors Water Agency (SFCWA)**  
No report.
- b. **Family Farm Alliance (FFA)**  
Report included in the packet.
- c. **Farm Water Coalition.**  
Mike Wade reported that they continue to work on efforts to support the administrative side of the Authority. Wade reported that they released a joint press statement this morning regarding the DWR Funding Agreement.
- d. **Association of California Water Agencies**  
Director John Varela reported that the ACWA Conference is the first week of May in Sacramento in-person and virtual.
- e. **Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley** – Water Policy Director Scott Petersen reported the Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley initiated the development of a strategic

plan to better frame the work that is going to be performed in the next 3-5 years. Petersen is soliciting input/comments on the essential goals of this Water Blueprint by April 19.

f. **San Joaquin Valley Water Collaborative Action Program (CAP) – Water Policy** Director Scott Petersen reported that the draft CAP Phase I report was released for agency review. Authority staff has reviewed the document and is working with the CAP management team to clarify some statements in the document prior to its final release.

18. **Agenda Item 15: Board Member Reports.**

No reports.

19. **Agenda Items 16-17: Closed Session Report.**

Chair Cannon Michael adjourned the open session to address the items listed on the Closed Session Agenda at approximately 12:05 p.m. Upon return to open session at approximately 12:35 p.m., Chair Cannon Michael stated that no reportable actions were taken.

20. **Agenda Item 18: Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2 (a) (3)**

No reports.

21. **Agenda Item 19: Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:37 p.m.

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May 12, 2022

To: Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer

From: Bob Martin, Facilities O&M Director

Subject: O&M Report for April 2022

**Operations Department**

The C.W. "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant (JPP) operated with 1 unit throughout April. The average rate of pumping for the JPP was 901 cfs through April.

Total pumping at the JPP for April was 53,626 acre-feet. The O'Neill Pump/Generating Plant (OPP) generated 0 acre-feet, and pumped 52,140 acre-feet in April. No acre-feet were pumped at the Delta-Mendota Canal/California Aqueduct Intertie Plant (DCI) and 0 acre-feet was reversed from the California Aqueduct to the DMC for April.

The Federal share in the San Luis Reservoir for April was 356,990 acre-feet as compared to 390,271 acre-feet for April, 2021.

For the month of April, releases from Friant Dam ranged from 797 to 1303 cfs with 36,784 AF entering the Mendota Pool. Flows past the Mendota Dam for the San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP) were 4,800 AF for April.

Canal Operations staff performed open channel and closed-pipe flow measurements, routine patrols, bi-weekly meter readings, water samples, well soundings, meter retrofitting, and meter maintenance during the month. Coordinated flow testing was also conducted at the San Joaquin River Bifurcation Structure, and on the DMC for the North Valley Regional Recycled Water Project (NVRWP) Trihalomethane (THM) study.

Control Operations switching/clearance placements performed this month:

- C-22-JP-18 JPP Unit 3&4 Center Tube / Suction Elbow
- C-22-JP-19 JPP Unit 4 Annual Maintenance / Rewind
- C-22-JP-19B JPP Unit 4 Rewind
- C-22-ON-26 OPP Unit 6 Annual Maintenance
- C-22-DCI-27 DCI Units 3&4
- C-21-ON-80A OPP Unit 4 Oil Leak Investigation
- C-22-JP-28 JPP Unit 3 Annual Maintenance
- C-22-JP-29 UZ11A Relay Updates
- C-22-JP-28A JPP Unit 3 Annual Maintenance

## **Civil Maintenance Department**

The Civil Maintenance crews worked on the following projects this month:

- DMC farm bridge repairs (MP 33.29 & 49.55)
- Grading of DMC operating roads
- USBR assistance with TFCF stop log installation and inspections
- OPP Unit 6 support
- DMC erosion repairs
- Garbage collection on DMC and Wasteways
- Chemical and mechanical weed control on DMC and SLD
- Maintenance and repairs to float lines, signs, fences, guard rails and gates
- Pump Back Project equipment inventory
- Transportation of OPP Unit 4 actuator rod
- Pump Back Project site prep
- Fabricate and install handrails along the DMC
- DMC O&M road pothole repair
- Annual OSHA training
- Repair/replace control room lawn sprinklers
- New concrete ctep installation MP 23.41-L
- Transportation of Pump Back Project motors
- Clean drain inlets along the DMC
- Pickup JPP Unit 4 exciter from contractor

## **Plant Maintenance Department**

The Plant Maintenance crews worked on the following projects this month:

### **Electrical/C&I Staff:**

- JPP Unit 4 rewind/relay testing
- DMC SCADA 3G to 4G upgrade
- DMC Check 17 antenna repairs
- OPP Unit 6 annual maintenance
- JPP unwatering pump repairs
- JPP/TFO ground fault detection and repair
- JPP Unit 6 annunciator communication board repair
- JPP Unit 4 rewind equipment refurbishment
- OPP Unit 4 repairs and re-assembly
- OPP service air compressor PMs
- OPP security gate PM
- OPP Unit 2 vane position/limit calibration
- OPP battery PM, crane PM, stop log Crane PM, lighting PM
- OPP troubleshoot CO2 testing procedure
- OPP Unit 1 exciter diode wheel repair
- TFO Vehicle Maintenance Shop service air compressor replacement
- Pump Back Project motor inspection and service.
- JPP DFR Alarms
- OPP gate access troubleshooting
- DCI wiring verification panels 3 and 4
- DFR data acquisition
- Switchgear Building 11 relay upgrade



- TFO lighting upgrade/repairs

#### Mechanical Staff:

- JPP Unit 4 rewind support
- JPP CO2 PM
- JPP PM's
- JPP Unit 4 bridge, plumbing and deck plate removal
- JPP Unit 4 rewind plumb and center shaft for NEC
- TFF deflector boom inspection
- OPP crane PMs
- Inspection of OPP Unit 4 actuator rod
- HazMat waste inspection
- TFCF flapper valve inspection
- OPP Unit 6 alignment
- JPP Kinney Strainer shaft rehabilitation
- JPP HVAC PM's
- Warehouse HVAC PM's
- JPP center discharge tube Inspection
- JPP Facility painting

#### USBR Support Services

Water Authority crews performed the following work at USBR facilities this month:

- TFF stop log installation and valve replacement
- TFF deflector boom inspections and repair planning

#### Engineering Department

The Engineering staff worked on the following O&M projects this month:

- JPP switchgear buildings relay settings update
- JPP Penstock 2 (Center) inspection
- TFCF secondary channel equipment support
- TFO breaker modifications per JPP Arc Flash 2018
- OPP Unit 3 vane control calibration
- OPP cooling water system rehabilitation
- OPP concrete wall cracks monitoring
- OPP service water pump rehabilitation
- OPP Unit 1 enclosure tube repair
- OPP Unit 4 distributor leak repair
- OPP Unit 6 stator electrical tests
- OPP Unit 6 electro-mechanical relay tests
- OPP Unit 6 annual maintenance and enclosure tube assessment
- OPP oil tanks foundation removal
- OPP overhead concrete wall crack monitoring
- TSY UZ11A bushing box replacement and repairs
- TSY UZ11A Basler relay setting updates and tests
- DMC seepage monitoring @ MP 20.15
- Upper DMC 3G to 4G communication upgrades
- Data management of well readings and creation of Warren Act hydrographs

- O&M PM setup and asset management in NetSuite
- DCI U3&U4 SCADA development for pump additions
- DCI as-built drawing updates
- DCI unit discharge valves wiring and functionality inspection
- Distribution of updated system operation drawings

### **2022 DMC Pump Back Project**

- Developed and managed overall schedule
- Finalized District turnout delivery model
- Researched solutions to meet demands not met by Friant-owned pumps, and analyzed pros and cons
- Secured generators for three pumping plant sites
- Submitted draft NEPA document to Reclamation
- Prepared draft CEQA document
- Began working on emergency justification memo in order to justify purchases as required in the Procurement Policy
- Worked on compiling comprehensive site of plans for 2022 installation
- Inventoried parts onsite
- Purchased wiring

### **Land Management Activity Summary**

The Engineering staff issued four (4) access permits this month:

- Access permit P2302003 was issued to Del Puerto Water District allowing a study to monitor Trihalomethanes (THMs) for regulatory compliance for the North Valley Regional Recycled Water Program on the Delta-Mendota Canal right-of-way from Milepost 37.24-L to Milepost 45.77-L.
- Access permit P2302004 was issued to Del Puerto Water District to repair the existing distribution standpipe servicing the turnout at Milepost 43.22-L.
- Access permit P2302005 was issued to Del Puerto Water District to repair the leaky existing underground pipeline servicing the turnout on the Delta-Mendota Canal right-of-way at Milepost 66.73-L.
- Access permit P2302006 was issued to Central California Irrigation District to clean the drain downstream of the DMC box culvert located at Milepost 51.52-L.

The Engineering staff were involved with the following land management projects this month:

- Coordination meeting with the City of Tracy on development
- Development of land management requirements for adjacent developments
- Orestimba Creek Recharge Project
- Santa Nella WD sewer and water crossing
- Tracy HOM Project, Tracy CA
- Costco Annexation Project, Tracy, CA
- Tracy Hills Commerce Center, Tracy, CA
- Tracy Hills Phase 5 development review
- Schulte Warehouse Annexation, Tracy, CA
- City of Patterson – Roger Road developments & Baldwin Ranch comments

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- International Parkway Bridge Replacement, PROLOGIS -Tracy, CA – Prepared 2<sup>nd</sup> plan review and provided comments

### **Safety Department**

The Safety Department worked on the following items this month:

- Provided Job Hazard Analysis support for the crews.
- Conducted Weekly Safety Tailgate talks with maintenance and operations crews.
- Sent out Weekly Safety Tailgate Topics – 4-1 Distracted Driving, 4-2 Flammable Liquid Safe Handling, 4-3 Workplace Violence, 4-4 Trenching Excavation Safety
- Provided Safety Message for April 2022 Monthly Newsletter – 4/2022 Preventing Fatigue
- Conducted quarterly site safety inspections
- Provided Permit Required Confined Space – safety standby at OPP
- Provided safety orientation for new hire: Daniel Nunes
- Conducted OSHA Safety Training Topics: Fall Protection, Hazardous Waste First Responder Awareness, Hearing Conservation, and Respiratory Protection to Electric Shop, TFO, Water Operations and JPP crews

### **Procurement and Work & Asset Management Department**

The Procurement and Work & Asset Management (WAM) Department worked on the following items this month:

- Continued working on final inventory reports for end of FY22. Still working with Affirma and Shepherd to fix underlying issues before finalizing reports.
- Training of new Warehouse Inventory Control Clerk.
- Interviews conducted for Buyer position.
- FY22 open purchase orders review and close out, including processing FY22 invoices continued into April to finalize and meet accountings 4/15 deadline
- Contracts/PO Agreements/LOA's Status Update:
  - F22-OPP-059 - OPP Main Transformer Rehabilitation solicitation RFP released 3/28/22. Pre-Bid site walk conducted on 4/12/22.
  - F22-JPP-071- Board approved single source award on 2/10. Contract executed 4/14.
  - F22-AB-070 - RFP prepared for Investment Advisory Services. Still pending. Executives/Procurement have been finalizing RFP. Anticipated release date May.
  - F22-AB-073 RFP for Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project NOIA sent 4/19. On schedule for 5/12 BOD meeting for approval to award.
  - F23-TFO-006 Landscape Maintenance- Released RFQ to multiple vendors for 3 year (+ two- 1 year options to renew) agreement
  - Vendor agreement issued with Affirma Consulting for time and materials-\$50k
  - F23-OPP-005- Scaffolding agreement issued for O'Neill- \$12,000
  - Issued vendor agreement with Circa for job postings with marketing-\$20,985
  - Issued PO for \$14,155.95 to Virginia Mechanical for A/C replacement at TAO

### **Ongoing:**

- Purchasing in support of the O&M crews, and maintaining/replenishing warehouse stock. Purchasing to support DMC Pump Back Project

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- Warehouse receiving, stocking, and distribution
- Invoicing/vendor bills/vendor credits processing
- Janitorial cleaning & disinfecting per COVID-19 guidelines
- Contract Management/Administration activities, including bi-weekly contract update meetings with engineering staff
- Developing/implementing purchasing/procurement and asset/inventory procedures/boilerplate templates
- Bi-weekly WAM staff meetings to discuss updates/issues
- Contract invoice payment reviews, invoice disputes as needed, invoice payments
- Continuous testing for improvements to procedures in NetSuite, as well as ongoing issues related to NetSuite constraints
- Development of Blanket Contracts and Blanket Purchase Orders/Agreements
- Reviewing/closing out old/open PO's in NetSuite

### **Information Technology Department**

The Information Technology Department worked on the following items this month:

- NetSuite
  - User and administration
  - Bi-Weekly Implementation Team meetings
- Continuing support for our "Work at Home" users
- Assisted with monthly FAC, WRC and BOD meetings with Zoom
- Desktop support calls
- Planning server refresh
- Planning laptop refresh
- Planning upgrading/replacing copiers
- Monitor Symantec anti-virus management console
- Security updates on servers
- Update firmware on firewall
- Update additional AV security settings
- Pilot Test with Multi Factor Authentication vendor SurePass
- Evaluated and follow-up meeting with Active Directory threat defense vendor
- Initial meeting with Protective DNS vendor
- 2nd draft of Cyber Security Incidence Response Plan
- First draft Disaster Recovery Plan
- First draft Business Continuity Plan
- Avaya vendor upgrade of firmware on phone switches
- Ordered new phones for SAC office Avaya to drop expense of Ring Central
- Initiated Avaya annual maintenance contract for all locations
- Created Windows 11 system image and deployed on new workstations
- Tested First Net devices for service quality
- AT&T on site visit by both sales and tech teams to see firsthand communications challenges at Tracy facility. (Switchyard, concrete buildings, etc.)
  - AT&T agreed to deploy three cell repeaters at no cost.
- Deployed laptop and created profile for new SCADA Engineer
- Created profile for new Tracy Secretary
- Started mass hard drive data destruction to DOD standards for e-cycle process

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- Requested quote from AT&T to perform penetration testing at DM firewall and SCADA routers at check structures
- Created Free Conference Calling accounts for SLDMWA users - Eliminate the monthly cost of Intrada.
- Request renewal quote for MDM contract from IBM (MAAS360)

## HR Department

The Human Resources Department worked on the following items this month:

### General Administrative Activities:

- Recruitments:
  - C&I Technician, O'Neill (open recruitment)
  - Equipment Mechanic (application review)
  - Hydro Electric Electrician, Tracy (continued recruitment)
  - Mechanical (Plant) Engineer, Tracy (continued recruitment)
  - Special Programs Manager, Sacramento (open recruitment)
    - Buyer
    - Deputy General Counsel (candidate selected)
    - Director of Finance (candidate selected)
    - Heavy Equipment Operator, Tracy (candidate selected)
    - O'Neill Plant Foreman (internal candidate selected)
    - Operations Supervisor (internal candidate selected)
    - Secretary, Tracy (candidate selected)
- Circa (Recruitment website) for OFCCP compliance (Vets, Disabled, and diversity)
- Background checks for PIV cards (continuing)
- New hire orientations

### Trainings/ Conferences:

- Remain up to date with webinars to ensure compliance with new legislation as it pertains to COVID-19
- Cyber Security Training (all staff being scheduled for training)
- Sexual Harassment Prevention Training (all staff being scheduled for bi-annual training)
- FMLA 2-Day webinar training attending by HR Department

### Government Reporting:

- Merced County Public Health COVID reporting (as needed)
- Alameda County Public Health COVID reporting (as needed)
- Federal Contractors Portal - OFCCP (registration completed)

### Ongoing:

- COVID protocols
- FMLA notices/follow ups
- COBRA notices/follow ups
- Worker's Comp follow ups
- Monthly safety points distribution

- Health benefits eligibility/employee assistance
- Maintain OSHA logs for calendar year
- Wellness program

## **EXTRAORDINARY O&M & CAPITAL PROJECTS**

### **DELTA-MENDOTA CANAL (DMC)**

#### **Bridge Abutment Repair at MP 92.73 (FY21)**

Status: The abutment repair is on hold until PG&E relocates the pipeline. The 6-inch pipe owned by PG&E that crosses under the bridge, adjacent to the abutment, is the main transmission line for the City of Dos Palos. All parties have agreed that it would be a safety hazard to conduct work with the gas line in place, and PG&E is currently planning to remove the existing pipeline from the bridge and HDD install a new pipeline under the canal. Staff performed a site visit with PG&E with their contractor to discuss the project. PG&E will prepare 90% plans for review in the coming weeks with final plans anticipated to be ready for construction in the late summer to fall timeframe. PG&E, SLDMWA, and Reclamation are meeting monthly to keep the project moving forward.

#### **DMC Subsidence Correction Project**

Status: SLDMWA is working closely with Reclamation to complete the tasks identified in the Financial Assistance Agreement (aka Cooperative Agreement) that was executed on 9/24/2021 after acquiring Board approval. Phase 1 Geotechnical work was completed last year. SLDMWA invoiced Reclamation this month for the preincurred costs associated with the Phase 1 Geotechnical Investigation Contract, and have received the reimbursement funds totaling \$830K. CDM Smith was awarded the \$2.4M contract to complete the Feasibility Study, with the Notice to Proceed issued on February 10, 2022. The Feasibility Report is expected to be completed in approximately one year, with certain environmental permitting extending longer if needed. A Project Team meeting was held to coordinate a Master schedule of activities incorporating Reclamation Policy reviews and how the Feasibility Study components feed into Reclamation timelines. The Final Draft Report is scheduled to be completed 3/6/2023. Biological and preliminary wetland field surveys were completed and staff is now coordinating with Cultural and Historical consultants in support of their field efforts this month. Hydraulic modeling is underway and several meetings have been held with Reclamation and SLDMWA operations staff to obtain buy-in on the existing conditions model. Further analysis will look at future conditions incorporating climate change and continued subsidence to demonstrate net benefits of the project. The DEC Review has been scheduled for mid-August and will be led by Reclamation.

The DWR Funding agreement was executed this month for \$3.3M to partially fund Final Design, which includes the future phases of the Geotechnical Investigation.

The SLDMWA continued to provide support to Reclamation as they manage the construction contract with Unico Services to install the two additional pumps at the DMC/CA Intertie Pumping Plant (DCI). The completion of the project has

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been delayed due to supply chain issues. Unico demobilized and is currently working to procure a capacitor and 2 combination air valves critical to completion. The project is now estimated to be completed in July.

### DMC Turnout Flowmeter Upgrade Program – Phase 2 (FY22)

Status: SLDMWA is in contract with McCrometer for the purchase of 62 Water Specialty flowmeters equipped with telemetry through the SLDMWA single-source procedure. The contract was executed after the January 2022 Board meeting. 29 flowmeters have been delivered and are currently being installed. Final delivery of meters is expected in Fall, 2022.

### DMC Turnout Flowmeter Upgrade Program – Phase 3

Status: Engineering has started coordinating with Water Operations to provide the design data for the flowmeters required with this phase. These measurements will be supplied to McCrometer in order to obtain a final quote and a single-source contract will be pursued. Contract is expected to be executed in Fall, 2022.

## **C.W. "BILL" JONES PUMPING PLANT (JPP)**

### JPP Excitation Cabinet & Control Panel Refurbishment (FY18)

Status: SLDMWA is currently in contract with Reclamation through a Letter of Agreement. Reclamation will be providing the Technical Specifications, along with an Engineer's Estimate. The 60% design is scheduled to be completed in May.

### JPP Wear Ring Purchase (FY22)

Status: No activity this month.

### JPP Unit No. 1 Rewind

Status: Unit 1 rewind and performance testing is complete. The final report was approved by the USBR and the final payment to NEC has been made. Project is complete.

### JPP Unit No. 4 Rewind

Status: The project is underway and on schedule. All windings and stator laminations have been removed. NEC will be completing the machining of the stator frame in early May.

### JPP Unit No. 3 Rewind

Status: The initial 40% payment to NEC has been made. This allows NEC to purchase the materials to manufacture the stator laminations.



## **EXTRAORDINARY O&M & CAPITAL PROJECTS**

### **TSY Switchgear Building UZ11A Modification and Repairs (Unplanned Project)**

Status: A ground fault incident that damaged the main feeder switchgear and bushing box in switchgear building UZ11A occurred in October 2021. SLDMWA electricians have made partial repairs and investigations have been performed by Reclamation's TSC and Powell (Powell is the company that designed and built the switchgear building). Building UZ11A is currently energized via adjacent switchgear building UZ8A. The contract for Powell to provide the repairs and replacement has been executed. TSC is providing technical support in reviewing and approving submittals to purchase long lead items. The construction is tentatively scheduled for September 2022.

### **JPP Concrete Slab by Trashrake Dumpster**

Status: No activity this month. Project is currently in the planning and design phase. A Geotechnical investigation will be pursued to characterize the subgrade to ensure an optimum design is implemented for the project. Construction is tentatively scheduled to occur in Spring, 2023.

## **O'NEILL PUMPING/GENERATING PLANT (OPP)**

### **Main Transformers Rehabilitation/Replacement**

Status: A Transformer Condition Assessment was performed by TSC in 2019. The transformers were in such poor condition that it was recommended that the transformers were to be refurbished or replaced. A Value Planning Study was conducted in 2020 and concluded to refurbish/rehabilitate the transformers in short term and plan to replace the transformers in the future. Emergency measures were also performed which included replacing (3) obsolete HV bushings (2019) and hot oil reconditioning of the in-service transformers (2020) to ensure transformers remained eligible for rehabilitating. Quarterly oil monitoring was completed in April and the results were acceptable.

TSC developed the scope of work and specifications, while SLDMWA developed the contract documents for the Main Transformers Rehabilitation. The RFP was completed and formal solicitation was posted on March 28, 2022. The site visit with bidders and TSC was conducted on April 12, 2022. Proposals are due 6/9/2022.

### **Arc Flash Hazard Analysis, Facility Rating, & Protective Relays Reviews (Electrical Equipment Periodic Reviews) (FY22)**

Status: The Facility Rating Review has been received. The personal protective grounds were upgraded per recommendations from the Facility Rating Review. Performed an inspection of the unit busses. A report of the findings will be provided to TSC per recommendation. The Arc Flash Hazard Analysis final report has been received. The Protective Relays Review is still pending a draft review.

## **EXTRAORDINARY O&M & CAPITAL PROJECTS**

### **OPP Pump Bowl Modification & Replacement (Design and USBR Approval)**

Status: Project is on hold while scope is being re-evaluated to ensure the continued reliability of the OPP units. SLDMWA has requested a value engineering study to be conducted by Reclamation this summer. SLDMWA will be an active participant in the study. Bill Dutton is initiating a conversation between SLDMWA and the USBR Value Planning/Engineering Department and a call will be held to discuss the scope and ensure the correct team is assembled.

### **Penstock Cathodic Protection System Replacement (FY22)**

Status: Construction materials are on order and a site visit was completed by Farwest on February 23, 2022 to survey the drill site. Construction is scheduled to begin May 9, 2022. USA North underground services surveyed and marked existing communication line in the vicinity of the work site.

The new system requires a different voltage than the existing system so a new power center was installed on the OPP exterior wall to provide power for the new system.

### **UPS Battery Charging System Replacement (FY22)**

Status: No activity this month. Installation will be timed concurrent with the outage for the transformer rehabilitation at OPP (April/May 2023). Equipment purchase for this job will occur 6 months prior to the Main Transformer Rehabilitation project starting.

### **OPP Station Service Backup Battery System Replacement**

Status: No activity this month. Equipment purchase for this job will occur 6 months prior to the Main Transformer Rehabilitation project starting.

## **TRACY FACILITIES (TFO)**

### **TFO Domestic Water Treatment Plant Replacement (FY20)**

Status: Raw water quality test results were provided to package plant vendors for quotes. Vendor quotes received will be evaluated for completeness for future selection. Treatment Plant Drainage: SLDMWA Engineers proposed modifications to the drainage design to prevent ponding in and around the WTP building. Final design and review has been completed and is awaiting construction by SLDMWA staff.

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## **EXTRAORDINARY O&M & CAPITAL PROJECTS**

### **MULTIPLE FACILITIES**

#### **TFO/LBFO/DCI Arc Flash Hazard Analysis (FY22)**

Status: No activity this month. Received the project management plan from TSC in August 2021. A draft Letter of Agreement has been requested of the Reclamation Tracy Office. Site work is tentatively scheduled for June/July 2022.

#### **SCADA System Evaluation**

Status: No activity

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## STAFF MEMORANDUM

TO: Board Members and Alternates

FROM: Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director

DATE: May 12, 2022

RE: State and Federal Affairs Update

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### SUMMARY

The San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority engages in federal and state administrative and legislative forums to educate policymakers about the impacts of proposed federal and state actions on the Authority and its member agencies, specifically related to adopted annual Authority objectives and objectives contained within the Authority Strategic Plan.

In order to continue to advance adopted Objectives, the Water Policy Division has developed new legislative tracking capability to inform the Board of specific legislation that Authority staff and consultants are tracking that may be of interest to the Authority and its members, in addition to those pieces of legislation on which the Authority Board has adopted a position.



1. Federal Legislation

Bill Number(s)	Sponsor(s)	Bill Title	Summary	Position	Status
Draft S. ____	Feinstein (D-CA)	STREAM Act	<p>This bill authorizes \$1.65 billion in federal funds for a number of projects, programs and activities, including groundwater and surface storage projects and conveyance, water recycling, environmental funding, desalination, drinking water assistance to disadvantaged communities, and loans for water supply projects at discounted rates.</p> <p>Additionally, the legislation establishes a two-tiered project authorization process by allowing Interior to approve water recycling, desalination and non-federal storage projects less with less than \$250 million in federal funding. For federal projects or projects with greater than \$250 million in federal funding, the legislation establishes a "Reclamation WRDA" process to expedite Congressional review and approval of projects.</p> <p>Finally, the legislation would modify the cost allocation structure and approval structure for storage projects in a way that would incentivize multi-benefit projects.</p>	Support	No status available on bill. (4/18/2022)
S. 1179/H.R. 2552	Feinstein (D-CA)  Costa (D CA-16)	Canal Conveyance Capacity Restoration Act	<p>This bill would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance up to a one-third non-reimbursable federal cost share for the design, planning, and construction of the Delta-Mendota Canal, San Luis Canal, Friant-Kern Canal, and the non-federal pools of the California Aqueduct. Additionally,</p>	Support	Introduced and referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (4/15/2021)



	the legislation would increase the authorization amount for the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act Restoration Goal by \$180 million.		
<p><b>S. 914</b></p> <p>Duckworth (D-IL)</p> <p>Drinking Water And Wastewater Infrastructure Act of 2021</p>	<p>This bill reauthorizes through FY2026 or establishes a variety of programs for water infrastructure. Specifically, it supports programs to provide safe drinking water or treat wastewater, such as sewer overflows or stormwater. For example, the bill reauthorizes and revises the clean water state revolving fund (SRF) and the drinking water SRF.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. (4/15/2021)</p> <p>The Senate-passed version of the bill was included in H.R. 3684, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.</p> <p>Following the vote, the House received the bill on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Senator Tom Carper of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee filed a written report on the bill on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.</p> <p>S.914 passed the Senate on a vote of 89-2 on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Senators Ted Cruz (R-TX) and Mike Lee (R-UT) voted No on the measure. S. 914 would authorize more than \$35 billion in funding to improve water infrastructure and drinking water safety.</p>
<p><b>H.R. 737</b></p> <p>Valadao (R-CA-21)</p> <p>RENEW WIIN ACT</p>	<p>The bill would extend the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 for 10 years, providing operational flexibility,</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife (2/23/2021)</p>

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		drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.		Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources (2/2/2021)
<b>H.R. 1563</b>	Garcia (R-CA-25)	To extend the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 providing operational flexibility, drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.	The bill would extend the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 for 7 years, providing operational flexibility, drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.	Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife (4/21/2021).  Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology (3/3/2021)
<b>H.R. 4915</b>	McClintock (R-CA-04)	Water Supply Permitting Coordination Act	This bill makes the Bureau of Reclamation the lead agency for the purpose of coordinating all permitting and related activities required to construct certain new surface-water storage projects. Additionally, Reclamation is authorized to accept and expend funds contributed by a nonfederal public entity to expedite the evaluation of a permit for such a project.	Introduced and Referred to the House Committee On Natural Resources (8/03/2021)





H.R. 644	Calvert (R-CA-42)	REBUILD Act	This bill authorizes (1) the assignment to states of federal environmental review responsibilities under relevant federal environmental laws for projects funded by, carried out by, or subject to approval by federal agencies; and (2) states to assume all or part of those responsibilities.  Each responsible federal official who is authorized to assign such responsibility must promulgate regulations that establish requirements relating to information required to be contained in state applications to assume those responsibilities.  An official may approve an application only if (1) public notice requirements have been met, (2) the state has the capability to assume the responsibilities, and (3) the head of the state agency having primary jurisdiction over the projects enters into a written agreement with an official to assume the responsibilities and to maintain the financial resources necessary to carry them out.  The officials must audit state compliance with federal laws for which responsibilities are assumed. The officials may terminate the responsibilities assigned to states after providing notice to states of any noncompliance and an opportunity to take corrective action.	Support	Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources (2/1/2021)
H.R. 866	Calvert (R-CA-42)	FISH Act	This bill gives the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) the sole authority to protect endangered or threatened species that are anadromous species (species of fish that spawn in fresh or estuarine waters and that	Support	Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife (3/3/2021)

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				migrate to ocean waters) or catadromous species (species of fish that spawn in ocean waters and migrate to fresh waters). Currently, the FWS shares this authority with the National Marine Fisheries Service.	Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources (2/5/2021)
<b>S. 29</b>	Klobuchar (D-MN)	Local Water Protection Act		This bill reauthorizes through FY2025 programs within the Environmental Protection Agency that award grants to states for managing nonpoint source water pollution or protecting groundwater quality. Water pollution from nonpoint sources is caused by precipitation picking up pollution as it moves over or through the ground.	Introduced and Referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works (1/22/2021)
<b>S. 3886</b>	Warren (D-MA)	Future of Water Act of 2022		This bill would Prohibit the trading of water and water rights from commodity futures contracts. The proposed bill would add "water and water rights" to the current list of prohibitions in the Commodity Exchange Act.	(3/21/2022) – Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
<b>H.R. 6491</b>	Huffman (D-CA-02)	Salmon FISH Act		This bill would identify the core centers of salmon abundance, productivity, and diversity as Salmon Conservation Areas and identify areas of particularly pristine quality as Salmon Strongholds.  Build upon existing analysis such as that used in Essential Fish Habitat.  Ensure actions of the federal government do not undermine the abundance of these areas.  Authorize funding for a grant program focused on restoration and conservation of Salmon Conservation Areas and Salmon Strongholds.	WOW Subcommittee hearing held (3/17/2022). No movement since.  Referred to the Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment and Cyber. (2/22/2022)  Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry. (2/8/2022)



	Support current federal programs focused on the restoration and maintenance of healthy watersheds.	Introduced in House. Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources. (1/25/2022)
<p><b>Draft H.R. _____</b></p> <p>Schrier (WA-08-D) Garamendi (CA-03-D)</p>	<p>To reauthorize the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014</p> <p>This bill would clarify that state-led water projects, Bureau of Reclamation transferred works, and Congressionally authorized Army Corps projects are eligible to receive WIFIA loans.</p> <p>Additional provisions include: extending the maturity date of certain loans to 55 years. The bill would also direct the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Congressional Budget Office to deem certain projects as "non-federal" under the Federal Credit Reform Act.</p>	<p>Monitor</p> <p>To be introduced.</p>
<p><b>S. 2185</b></p> <p>Barrasso (R-WY)</p>	<p>The Western Water Infrastructure Act of 2021</p> <p>This bill would reauthorize the WIN Act funding accounts; authorize funding to eliminate BOR's maintenance backlog; restore storage capacity at BOR and U.S. Army Corp of Engineers facilities through a sediment management program.</p>	<p>Introduced and Referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (6/23/2021)</p>

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1. Tracked State Legislation

Bill Number(s)	Author	Bill Title	Summary	Position	Status
SB 559	Hurtado	Department of Water Resources: water conveyance systems: Canal Conveyance Capacity Restoration Fund.	This bill would establish the Canal Conveyance Capacity Restoration Fund in the State Treasury to be administered by the department. The bill would require all moneys deposited in the fund to be expended, upon appropriation by the Legislature, in support of subsidence repair costs, including environmental planning, permitting, design, and construction and necessary road and bridge upgrades required to accommodate capacity improvements. The bill would require the department to expend from the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, specified monetary amounts to restore the capacity of 4 specified water conveyance systems, as prescribed, with 2 of those 4 expenditures being in the form of a grant to the Friant Water Authority and to the San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority. The bill would make these provisions inoperative on July 1, 2030, and would repeal the provisions as of January 1, 2031.	Support	Ordered to inactive file on request of Assembly Member Gray. (9/8/2021)  Passed Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee on a 6-0 vote. Re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations. (4/27/2021)
AB 252	Rivas	Multibenefit Land Repurposing Incentive Program: Administration	This bill would find and declare that coordinated management of landscapes affected by SGMA can minimize economic and social dislocation in rural economies, reducing or avoiding environmental health impacts, facilitating a transition to less water-intensive but still productive and economic uses of land to achieve sustainable groundwater management. This bill would define "land	Support	Referred to the inactive file at the request of Senator Skinner. (09/07/2021)  From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended – voted 7-0 (8/26/2021).



repurposing" as converting previously irrigated agricultural land to new uses through any of the following methods:

Restoring upland habitat.

Creating pollinator habitat.

Restoring floodplains.

Creating dedicated wildlife-friendly recharge areas.

Dryland farming or planting cover crops.

Switching from irrigated agriculture to rangeland.

Creating parks or community recreation areas.

Referred to the inactive file at the request of Senator Hurtado. (09/02/2021)

AB 350

Villapudua

Agriculture: Cannella

Environmental

Farming Act of 1995:

technical assistance

grant program:

groundwater

conservation

planning.

AB 350 would create a three-year program within

CDFA (if funds are appropriated by the Legislature)

that would fund technical assistance to support

landowners located in critically over-drafted basins in

the San Joaquin Valley in reaching water use

reduction goals established under SGMA. The

purpose of this program would be to avoid

unnecessarily following of agricultural land. The grant

program would fund one technical assistance

provider in each of the eight counties that make up

the San Joaquin Valley.

Oppose

AB 979

Frazier

Sacramento-San

Joaquin Delta:

projects: sea level rise

analysis report.

As amended on April 13, 2021, AB 979 would require

any individual or entity, including a state or local

agency, that undertakes a "project" within the Delta

to complete a report that analyzes the impact of sea

level rise on the project. The report would be

required to include an analysis based on the sea level

(2/1/2022) - From

committee: Filed with the

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rise scenarios described in the Ocean Protection Council's (OPC) *Sea-Level Rise Guidance 2018 Update Document*. More probable or severe sea level rise scenarios could also be included but would not be required. The bill would require the individual or entity to submit the report to the DSC, the Delta Protection Commission (DPC), and the Legislature, and the report would be required to be posted on the DSC and DPC websites.

Ordered to inactive file at the request of Senator Hurtado.

(9/2/2021) Passed Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife on a vote of 9 to 5. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations. (04/27/2021)

In committee. Held under submission. (05/20/2021)

AB 2639

Quirk

San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary: water quality control plan: water right permits

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to complete an update and implementation, as specified, of the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary Water Quality Control Plan (Bay-Delta Plan) by December 31, 2023, and places a moratorium on new water rights permits resulting in increased diversions in the Sacramento River/San Joaquin River watershed after January 1, 2024, unless and until the update and implementation are completed.

Recommendation: Passed WP&W 9-4 and ESTM 5-3, to Oppose unless amended. Appropriations.

AB 2895

Arambula

Water: permits and licenses: temporary changes: water or water rights transfers

Revises the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) process for consideration and approval of a petition to temporarily change a water right to effectuate a short-term water transfer (i.e., for a period of one year or less).

Recommendation: Passed WP&W 11-0, to Monitor, working with Author on Amendments. Appropriations.



AB 1001	Garcia	<p>Environment: mitigation measures for air and water quality impacts: environmental justice</p>	<p>Amends the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to 1) require mitigation to compensate for adverse air or water quality impacts in a disadvantaged community (DAC) to mitigate those impacts directly in the affected community and 2) require all public agencies implementing CEQA to give consideration to the principles of environmental justice by ensuring the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes, and national origins.</p>	Monitor	<p>2-year bill, passed Assembly 43-23, to Senate EQ.</p>
AB 1640	Ward	<p>Office of Planning and Research: regional climate networks: regional climate adaptation and resilience action plans</p>	<p>Requires the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to facilitate the creation of regional climate networks and create standards for the development of a regional climate adaptation action plan to support the implementation of regional climate adaptation efforts</p>	Monitor	<p>Passed Natural Resources 8-1, to Appropriations.</p>
AB 1642	Salas	<p>California Environmental Quality Act: water system well and domestic well projects: exemption</p>	<p>Establishes an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for projects designed to mitigate or prevent the failure of a drinking water well designated as high risk or medium risk in the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) drinking water need assessment.</p>	Monitor	<p>Passed Assembly 55-2, to Senate.</p>
AB 1717	Aguilar-Curry	<p>Public works: definition</p>	<p>Expands the definition of "public works," for the purpose of the payment of prevailing wages, to also include fuel reduction work paid for in whole or in part by public funds performed as part of a fire mitigation project, including, but not limited to, residential chipping, rural road fuel breaks, fire breaks, and vegetation management.</p>	Monitor	<p>Passed Labor and Employment 6-0, to Appropriations.</p>



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<b>AB 1811</b>	Fong	Delta Plan: multispecies conservation plan	Deletes references to "Bay-Delta Conservation Plan" (BDCP) and "BDCP" in existing law and replaces them with "multispecies conservation plan;" likewise, deletes obsolete references to "Department of Fish and Game" in existing law and replaces them with "Department of Fish and Wildlife."	Monitor	Passed WP&W 8-4 to Appropriations.
<b>AB 1865</b>	Bennett	Court fee waiver: water rights cases	Permits a person to proceed without paying court fees and costs when that person is joined or countersued in a case involving a water right held by the person, including, but not limited to, an appropriative, groundwater, or riparian water right.	Monitor	Passed WP&W 15-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 1906</b>	Stone	Voluntary stream restoration: property owner liability: indemnification: claims	Makes technical changes to provisions relating to indemnity and limited liability protections for real property owners who voluntarily permit a state-funded project to restore fish and wildlife habitat on their real property	Monitor	Passed Assembly Floor 61-0, to Senate.
<b>AB 2016</b>	Bauer-Kahan	State Water Resources Control Board: desalination plant: feasibility study	Requests the California Council on Science and Technology (CCST) to undertake a comprehensive feasibility study of brackish and ocean water desalination along the San Francisco Bay in coordination with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and submit the study to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2025.	Monitor	Passed WP&W 13-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2041</b>	Garcia	California Safe Drinking Water Act: primary drinking water standards: compliance	Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to work with public water systems it has determined may not be able to comply with a future primary drinking water standard	Monitor	Passed ESTM 9-0, to Appropriations.





<b>AB 2054</b>	Quirk-Silva	Corporation taxes: exempt organizations: mutual ditch or irrigation companies: public water system: mutual water companies	without receiving financial assistance to develop a compliance plan for those water systems Exempts, for 2023 through 2027 taxable years, from the taxes imposed by the Corporation Tax (CT) Law, a mutual ditch or irrigation company that operates a public water system if the company complies with specified requirements, including those open meeting and record accessibility requirements for eligible persons.	Monitor	Passed Rev & Tax 11-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2078</b>	Flora	Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate and Forecasting Program	This bill reconfigures the existing Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program (Atmospheric Rivers Program) within the Department of Water Resources (DWR).	Monitor	Passed WP&W 13-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2081</b>	Garcia	Municipal water districts: water service: Indian lands	Extends the sunset date, until January 1, 2025, on the authorization for a municipal water district (MWD) to apply to a local agency formation commission (LAFCO) to extend water service to Indian lands, as specified. Defines "Indian lands" to mean Indian lands that were part of a reservation or held in trust as of January 1, 2022.	Monitor	Passed Assembly 70-0, to Senate.
<b>AB 2106</b>	Rivas	Water quality: permits	Requires, on or before December 2024, the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to, modernize its Stormwater Multiple Application and Report Tracking System (SMARTS) database. Additionally, Requires the State Water Board to establish a statewide commercial, industrial, and institutional national pollutant discharge elimination system (NPDES) order	Monitor	Passed ESTM 6-2, to Appropriations.



<b>AB 2108</b>	Rivas	Water policy: environmental justice: disadvantaged and tribal community representation	Requires one member of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and one member of each Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) to have experience related to disadvantaged or tribal communities and requires the State Water Board and Regional Water Boards to take various actions to address environmental justice and racial equity in their planning and permitting processes.	Monitor	Passed ESTM 6-1 and WP&W 11-3, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2113</b>	Rivas	State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account: annual proceed transfers	Creates four new accounts in the Waste Discharge Permit Fund and, subject to a future legislative act, transfers up to a total of 50 percent of the annual proceeds from the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account (Account) to these four new accounts for specified purposes.	Monitor	Passed ESTM 9-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2173</b>	Petrie-Norris	Public contracts: payment	This bill would remove the sunset clause on the 5% retention cap policy related to public works projects, thereby permanently establishing it	Monitor	Passed Assembly 69-0, to Senate.
<b>AB 2201</b>	Bennet	Groundwater sustainability agency: groundwater extraction permit	Requires a groundwater sustainability agency (GSA) in a critically overdrafted basin to establish and implement a process to issue permits for groundwater extraction facilities within the GSA's jurisdiction by July 1, 2023, unless the facility is exempted due to groundwater being used for domestic, environmental, existing, or renewable energy purposes.	Monitor	Passed WP&W 8-5, to Appropriations.



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<b>AB 2313</b>	Bloom	Water: judges and adjudications	Establishes a judicial training program on water and expands use of experts to assist in complex cases involving water law.	Monitor	Passed Judiciary 10-0 and WP&W 15-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2387</b>	Garcia	Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022	Authorizes the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Act of 2022 (Climate Bond), a \$7.4 billion general obligation bond to address the impacts of climate change, to be placed before voters on the November 8, 2022, general election ballot.	Monitor	Passed WP&W 11-2 and Natural Resources 7-2, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2412</b>	Villapudua	Agriculture: State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program	Codifies the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP) administered by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) which provides grants to agricultural operations for projects that reduce greenhouse gases (GHG) and water use.	Monitor	Passed Ag 9-0 and WP&W 15-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2419</b>	Bryan	Environmental justice: federal infrastructure investment and Jobs Act: Justice40 Oversight Committee	Requires a state agency administering federal funds under the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to allocate a minimum of 40 percent of those funds to projects that provide a direct benefit to disadvantaged communities and an additional 10 percent of those funds to projects that provide direct benefits to low-income households	Monitor	Passed ESTM 6-2 and Natural Resources 6-2, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2421</b>	Rubio	Water: unlicensed cannabis cultivation	This bill enhances the ability for local prosecutors to civilly enforce restrictions against unlawful diversions of water and water pollution stemming from unlicensed cannabis growing operations.	Monitor	Passed Judiciary 9-0 and WP&W 13-0, to Appropriations.

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<b>AB 2447</b>	Quirk	Oil and gas wastewater: unlined ponds: prohibition	Prohibits the disposal of produced wastewater into unlined ponds and the construction of new unlined ponds.	Monitor	Passed Natural Resources 8-3, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2451</b>	Wood	State Water Resources Control Board: drought planning	Establishes a permanent Drought Section at the State Water Board and requires it to adopt principles and guidelines that apply to specified coastal watersheds during times of drought. Requires the State Water Board to establish a permanent Drought Section within the Division of Water Rights (Division) to improve drought planning, drought response, and climate resiliency, including adopting principles, guidelines, and plans as directed by this bill. Requires that the State Water Board consider the recommendations of the Water Rights Drought Effort Review report.	Monitor	Passed WP&W 11-1, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2805</b>	Bauer-Kahan	Department of Fish and Wildlife: advance mitigation and regional conservation investment strategies	Revises provisions relating to the Regional Conservation Investment Strategies (RCIS) Program at the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW).	Monitor	Passed WP&W 15-0, to Appropriations.
<b>AB 2819</b>	Cooley	The Rural California Infrastructure Act	AB 2819 establishes the Rural California Infrastructure Act for the purpose of awarding \$1 billion in grants to local agencies for rural infrastructure projects, including fairground maintenance, disaster preparedness, highway or street maintenance or repair, and historic or cultural preservation or repair	Monitor	Passed Emergency Management 7-0 and Jobs, Economic Development and the Economy 6-0, to Appropriations.

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<b>AB 2877</b>	Garcia	Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund: tribes	Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) when administering funds under the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund (Fund) to work with tribes to remove barriers for those tribes to accessing funding under the Fund. Additionally, provides that a limited waiver of tribal sovereignty is not required for a tribe that is an eligible recipient to access funding under the Fund.	Monitor	Passed ESTM 9-0, to Appropriations.
<b>SB 463</b>	Dahle	Water: landowner right to modify, repair, or replace jointly used conduits	This bill authorizes a landowner, where a conduit is constructed across or buried beneath the lands of 2 or more landowners, to modify, repair, or replace the conduit on or beneath their land if the modification, repair, or replacement is made in a manner that does not impede the flow of the water to any other property receiving a benefit of the conduit or, otherwise injure any person using or interested in the conduit.	Monitor	2-year bill, passed Senate Floor 38-0, to WP&W.
<b>SB 991</b>	Newman	Public contracts: progressive design-build: local agencies	This bill allows local agencies that provide water service to use progressive design-build for projects over \$5 million.	Monitor	Passed Gov & Finance 5-0, to Appropriations.
<b>SB 1100</b>	Cortese	Open meetings: orderly conduct	This bill authorizes the presiding member of a legislative body conducting a meeting to remove an individual for disrupting the meeting, and defines "disrupting" for these purposes.	Monitor	Passed Senate Floor 29-7, to Assembly.
<b>SB 1123</b>	Caballero	Resilience Navigators Program: climate-related disaster	Requires the Office of Planning and Research to develop the Resilience Navigators Program to provide support and guidance to potential applicants for state programs that offer financial assistance related to enhancing resilience to climate change,	Monitor	Passed Senate EQ 7-0 and Natural Resources 9-0, to Appropriations.

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	resilience grant and loan programs	including disasters associated with or amplified by climate change.		
<b>SB 1124</b>	Archuleta	Public health goal: primary drinking water standard: manganese	This bill would require the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to prepare a public health goal for manganese as well as require the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to adopt a primary drinking water standard for manganese and to establish monitoring requirements for manganese.	Monitor Passed Senate EQ 5-0, to Appropriations.
<b>SB 1144</b>	Wiener	Water efficiency and quality assessment reports: state buildings and public school buildings	This bill requires state agencies and public schools to complete a water efficiency and quality assessment report on their facilities, including testing for lead, radon, Legionella, and other contaminants. If the report identifies noncompliant plumbing fixtures and appliances or contaminants, the bill would require the operating agency to remedy the problem at the earliest practical time, subject to available funding.	Monitor Passed GO 10-1 and Education 6-0, to Appropriations.
<b>SB 1157</b>	Hertzberg	Urban water use objectives: indoor residential water use	This bill changes the standards for indoor residential water use beginning 2025 to 47 gallons per capita daily (gpcd) and beginning 2030 to 42 gpcd.	Monitor Passed Senate Floor 28-9, to Assembly WP&W.
<b>SB 1188</b>	Laird	Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: financial assistance	This bill would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to provide grants, principal forgiveness funding, and zero percent financing from the state's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to the extent authorized by federal law by deleting certain existing requirements, including making such funding limited to water	Monitor Passed EQ 7-0, to Appropriations.



systems serving severely disadvantaged communities.

SB 1197	Caballero	Water Innovation and Drought Resiliency Act of 2022	Create in the Office of Planning and Research, the Initiative to Advance Water Innovation and Drought Resiliency. The purpose of the Initiative is the furtherance of new technologies and other innovative approaches in the water sector, including how these approaches can lead to a drought-resilient economy. Requires the initiative to:	Monitor	Passed Natural Resources and Water 8-0, to Appropriations.
			<p>a) Establish an interagency team to increase collaboration among state agencies on innovative approaches and drought resiliency.</p> <p>b) Engage affected stakeholders, including water agencies, academia, vendors, commercial and agriculture users, and environmental and environmental justice organizations.</p> <p>c) Review regulations that may limit or inhibit innovation, the adoption of new technologies and other water innovations, or planning for a drought-resilient future, including, but not limited to, in disadvantaged communities, and make recommendations for streamlining or revising those regulations.</p> <p>d) Develop recommendations for innovative approaches and technologies that will protect the state's economy from fluctuations brought on by drought conditions, including regional and local water supply options, incorporating any relevant elements of state plans and efforts that address</p>		

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impacts of drought on the state's economy, and the role of innovation in securing a sustainable water future.

SB 1205	Allen	Water rights: appropriation	Require the State Board to develop and adopt regulations to provide greater specificity as to the methods and practices for determining water availability in the issuance and administration of water right permits and licenses. Would require the regulations to include, but not be limited to, consideration of the effects of climate change, including drought extremes, climate variability, wildfires, long term watershed land use changes, and ground-water-surface-water interactions, upon watershed hydrology as part of the preparation of water availability analyses.	Monitor	Passed Natural Resources and Water 8-0, to Appropriations.
SB 1219	Hurtado	21st century water laws and agencies: committee	Requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency and the Secretary for Environmental Protection to convene a committee to develop and submit to the Governor and to the Legislature a strategic vision, proposed statutes, and recommendations for a modern 21st century set of water laws and regulations and state and local water agencies for the state, as provided, on or before December 31, 2024.	Monitor	Passed EQ 5-0 and Natural Resources and Water 6-0, to Appropriations.
SB 1253	Melendez	Infrastructure plan: flood control: delta levees	This bill would add the following to the list of types of infrastructure to be included in the five-year infrastructure plan: 1) Construction, operation, and maintenance for facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control. 2) Support for infrastructure needs pursuant	Monitor	Passed Natural Resources and Water 8-0, to Appropriations.





		to the Delta Levee Subvention Program. 3) Support for infrastructure needs pursuant to the Delta Special Flood Control Projects Program. 3) Aggregate funding for the state share of nonfederal capital costs for flood control projects located outside of the Central Valley.	
<b>SB 1254</b>	Hertzberg	Drinking water: administrator: managerial and other services	This bill provides a level of immunity to administrators of water systems appointed or selected by the State Water Resources Control Board. The bill also expands the water systems for which administrators can be appointed.
			Monitor
			Passed Senate EQ 7-0 and Judiciary 11-0, to Appropriations.
<b>SB 1392</b>	McGuire	Fish and wildlife: steelhead trout: fishing report-restoration card	This bill would extend the sunset for the steelhead report card program until January 1, 2028, and again require a legislative report on the program prior to the sunset, as provided.
			Monitor
			Passed Natural Resources and Water 8-0 and Appropriations 7-0, to Senate Floor.
<b>SB 1469</b>	Bradford	Water corporations: demand elasticity	This bill requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to authorize the use of full decoupling of water sales and revenues by water utilities
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			Passed EUC 11-0, to Appropriations.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: SLDMWA Finance & Administration Committee, Board of Directors

FROM: Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer  
Frances Mizuno, Outside Consultant  
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel

DATE: May 9, 2022

RE: San Luis Transmission Project Overview

### BACKGROUND

This summary memorandum is intended provide an update on the purpose and status of various San Luis Transmission Project documents and actions.

### SUMMARY TABLE

Document/Action	Purpose/Function	Status/Next Steps	Completion
SLTP EIS/EIR	Satisfy environmental review requirements for the SLTP.	EIS/EIR certified in 2016, concurrent with SLDMWA adoption of CEQA Findings of Fact, Mitigation Measures, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and Statement of Overriding Considerations.	03/2016
SLDMWA Board Resolution 2021-489	Provide for issuance of revenue bonds to finance the SLTP, authorize the execution of certain documents and other actions in connection therewith.	Adoption authorized the sale and issuance of bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$410m.	10/04/2021
-Indenture of Trust	Provide for the authentication and delivery of bonds, establish and declare terms and conditions upon which Bonds are to be issued and secured, and to secure payment of principal thereof and interest and premium, if any.	Approved by SLDMWA Board. SLDMWA authorized to execute and deliver with changes as recommended by General Counsel or Bond Counsel.	Substantially complete; finalized after sale of bonds and before bond closing.

-Continuing Disclosure Certificate	Benefit holders and beneficial owners of Bonds and assist participating underwriter in complying with Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the SEC.	Approved by SLDMWA Board. SLDMWA authorized to execute and deliver with changes as recommended by General Counsel or Bond Counsel.	Substantially complete; finalized after sale of bonds and before bond closing.
-Advanced Payment Project Agreement	Provide advanced payment to SLDMWA of certain costs in connection with SLTP; protection if payment by BOR not received in a given year.	Executed by WWD/SLWD.	01/26/2022
-Good Faith Estimate of Costs	Satisfy Gov. Code section 5852.1 requirement for good faith estimates.	Acknowledged by the Board through adoption of Resolution.	10/04/2021
Letter of Intent to Execute TSA between SLDMWA and Golden State Transmission	Memorialize parties' intent to execute a TSA for 600 MW of south to north capacity on SLTP.	Executed on 1/20/2022.  As of 4/15/2022, modifications being drafted by GS to address changed conditions/propose modified terms.	01/20/2022
Position in WAPA Queue	Ensure construction priority of SLTP.	SLTP has achieved #1 position in WAPA queue.	03/24/2022
Project Development Agreement	Memorialize WAPA/SLDMWA agreement regarding funding for construction of bi-directional SLTP, various commitments.	Effectively complete, but cannot finalize until issues with MOU are resolved.  Will need to circulate for Board/FAC review prior to action.	TBD
Memorandum of Understanding	Memorialize WAPA / SLDMWA / BOR agreement regarding schedule for reassignment rate and payment process for 35-year term of PDA.	Need to resolve outstanding issues associated with delay in construction, interruption of service after catastrophic event.  Will need to circulate for Board/FAC review prior to action.	TBD
Transmission Service Agreements (WAPA)	Memorialize WAPA/SLDMWA agreement regarding terms for assignment of 600 MW of bi-directional capacity from WAPA to SLDMWA. Three separate TSAs: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 400 MW N-S with reassignment to WAPA</li> <li>2. 600 MW S-N</li> <li>3. 200 MW N-S</li> </ol>	To be drafted following finalization of PDA and MOU terms.	TBD

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SLTP Fixed Cost Project Agreement	To enable signatories to "backstop" bond payments in event of delay in energization or catastrophic event.	Currently seeking indication of which members may be willing to sign on.  Will take to FAC/BOD for action at later date, likely in conjunction with action on PDA and MOU.	TBD
Transmission Service Agreements (GST)	Memorialize GST/SLDMWA agreement regarding terms for purchase of 600 MW of south to north capacity on SLTP.	Drafting to begin following amendment of LOI terms; execution to follow GST adoption of binding term sheet with BANC.	TBD
SLDMWA Board Action to Issue Bonds, Commercial Paper	Fund construction of SLTP. Primarily fund interest on 2022 Bonds in event of delay in Energization. Possibly fund a portion of construction of SLTP, if needed.	To occur following execution of PDA, MOU, TSAs with WAPA, Fixed Cost Project Agreement and TSA with GST.	TBD

**NEXT STEPS**

- Staff to meet with Reclamation to review mitigation strategies
- "Backstop" agreement members to finalize and approve agreement in late May
- Finalize MOU with Reclamation and WAPA, provide review opportunities
- Develop and negotiate TSA with GST
- Bring PDA, MOU, TSAs, and Backstop Agreement to Water Authority Board at June Board meeting
- Estimated closing in August 2022

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**Anthea Hansen**

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**From:** Cheri Worthy <cheri.worthy@sldmwa.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 21, 2022 10:05 AM  
**Subject:** UPDATE: DCI Pump Addition Activities

**Sending on Behalf of Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave:**

SLDMWA Directors and Alternates,

This is an update to the progress made to install two additional pumping units at the intertie. The two additional pumping units have been installed, however there are now delays in the scheduled delivery of 2 valves and the capacitor. Completion of the project is now tentatively scheduled for June and Reclamation continues to work closely with Unico.

Thank you.

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**From:** Cheri Worthy  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 3:06 PM  
**Subject:** DCI Pump Addition Activities

**Sending on Behalf of Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave:**

SLDMWA Directors and Alternates,

In open session of past Authority Board and Committee meetings, staff discussed the plan for Reclamation to install two additional pumping units at the Intertie. That installation is in process, and an update is below. If you have any questions, please contact me or Federico directly.

Thank you.

Reclamation has a contract with Unico Services, of Benicia CA, to install two government furnished vertical pumping units into the two available bays (Bay 3 & Bay 4) at the DCI pumping plant and furnish and install related equipment for these pumps. These additional pumping units will provide additional mitigation for subsidence impacts and will allow the CVP to minimize water losses due to necessary outages at O'Neill. On March 2, 2022, Unico Services initiated installation of the pumps and motors onto the pump pedestals. (See photos below)

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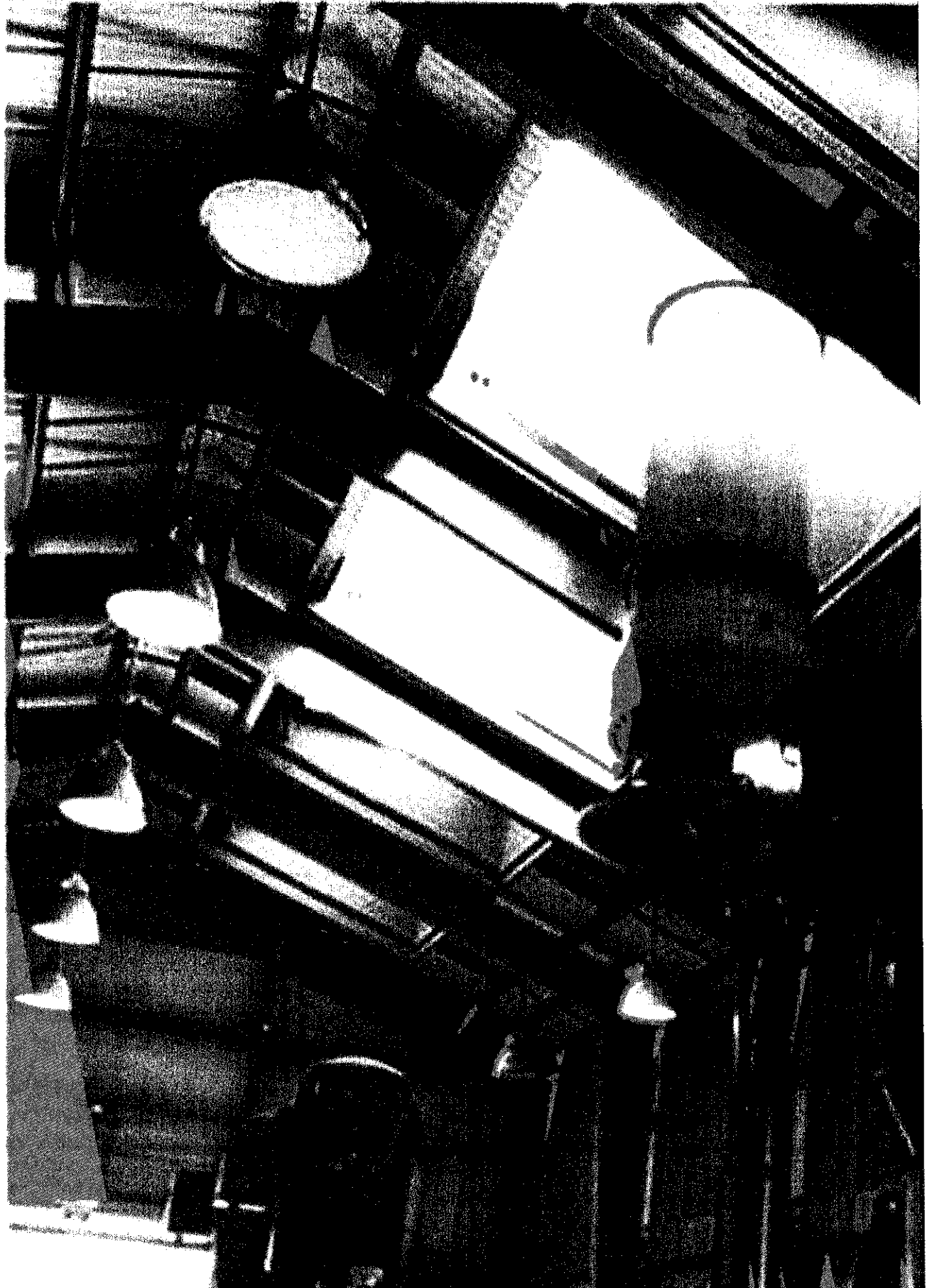




Photo 1: Lowering of the pump through the roof opening for pump bay no. 4.



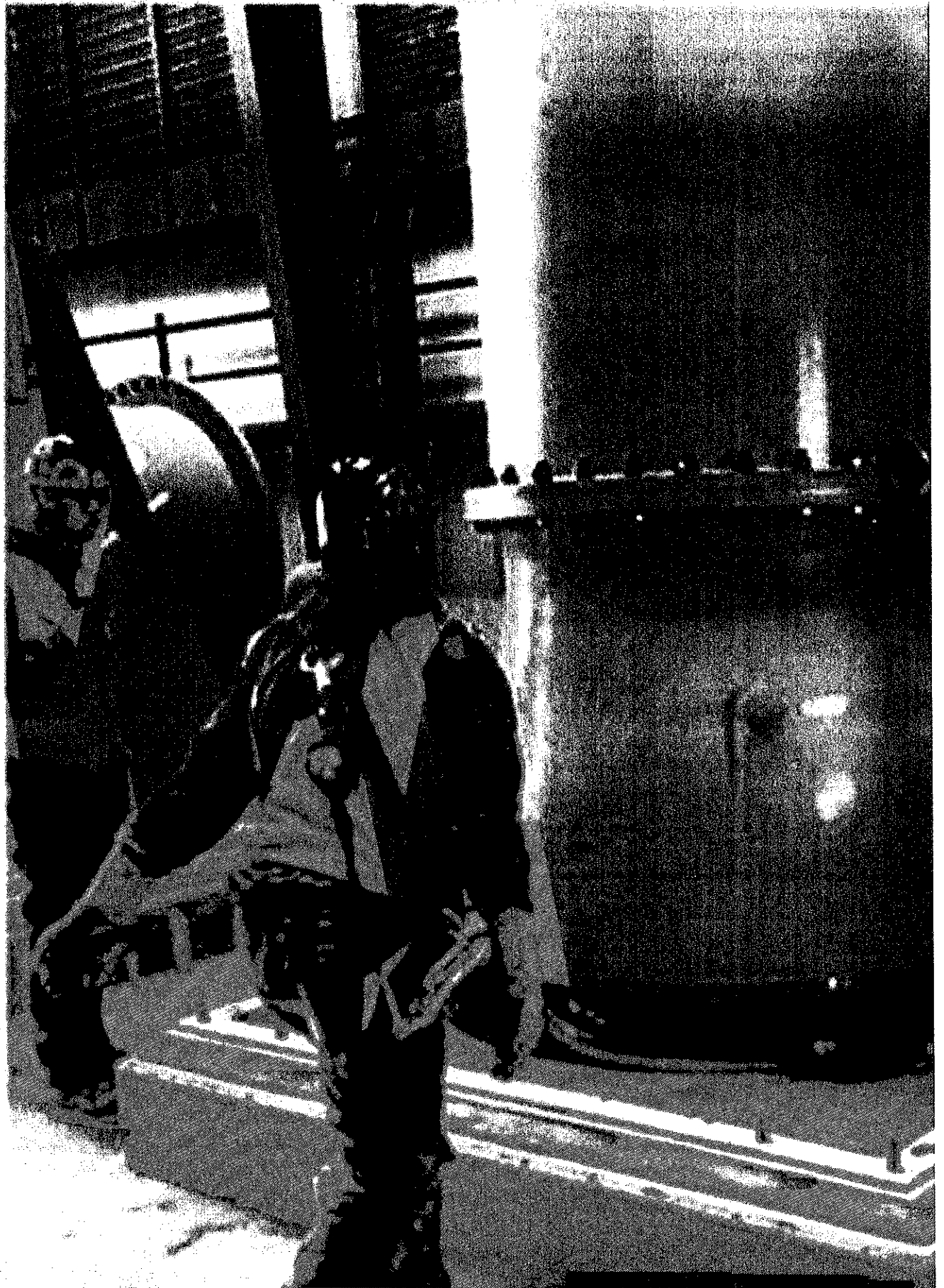




Photo 2: Lowering of the pump through the floor opening for pump bay no. 4.





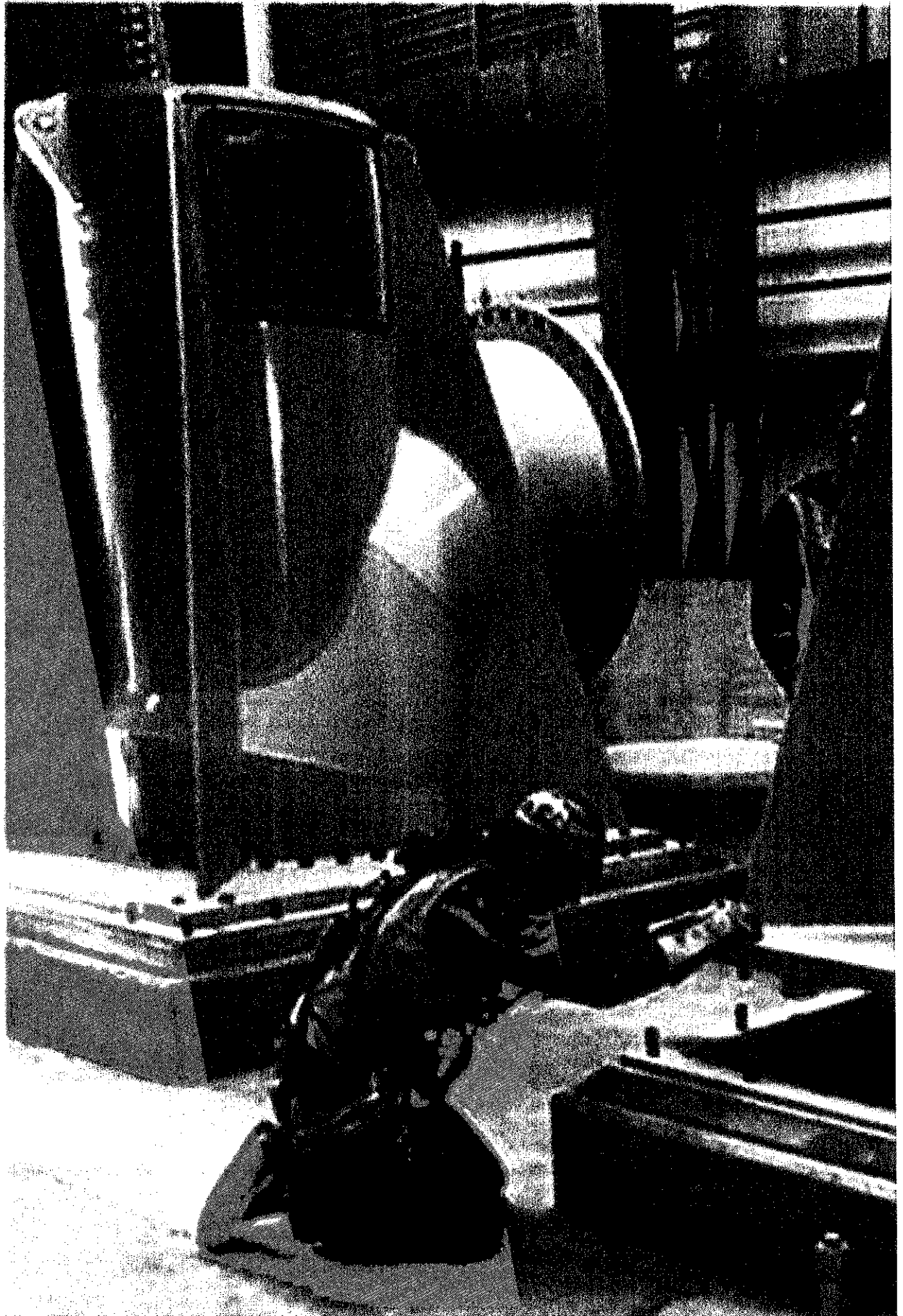




Photo 3: Guiding the pump base plate onto the pump pedestal anchor bolts.







Photo 4: Lowering the pump motor through the roof hatch of pump bay no. 3.

Additional work includes the following:

- Installation of the 48" and 42" diameter steel piping, butterfly & check valves from the pump discharge flange to the existing penstock flange,
- Installation of the 12" throttling air vacuum valves,
- Electrically connect the 1000 HP motors to the existing DCI control panel, Motor Control Center
- Testing and commissioning of the two vertical pumping units

Unico Service's current schedule is to complete the installation of the remaining pumping unit equipment by the end of March, 2022 and commission the two new units in April.





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April 26, 2022

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
United States Senate  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Alex Padilla  
United States Senate  
112 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Canal Subsidence Correction Program Appropriations

Dear Senators Feinstein and Padilla:

On behalf of the Friant Water Authority, the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority and the State Water Contractors, we wish to request funds in the Fiscal Year 2023 Energy & Water appropriations bill to continue an important federal-state-local partnership to address capacity restrictions on critical conveyance facilities in California.

As you are aware, key segments of Central Valley Project (CVP) and State Water Project (SWP) conveyance facilities have lost carrying capacity over time. This lost capacity limits California's ability to reliably move and deliver water, which has cascading economic and social impacts throughout the state. The Friant-Kern Canal, Delta-Mendota Canal, San Luis Canal and California Aqueduct are each experiencing between a 15 to 60 percent reduction of design flow capacity due to land subsidence. Combined with higher operational and power costs of at least \$15-30 million per year, it now costs more every year to convey less water to customers.

Importantly, over 31 million Californians depend on water that flows through these CVP and SWP conveyance facilities. These facilities provide water supplies that are necessary to maintain the state's economy, to develop additional local water supplies, to recharge local groundwater basins and to serve disadvantaged communities throughout the state. When water supplies are constrained, disadvantaged communities are often affected first and most severely, through both a lack of access to sufficient, affordable water as well as through job losses when agricultural production slows due to lack of water. The funding needed to repair these critical conveyance facilities is estimated to be nearly \$2.3 billion over a 10-year period.

In September of 2021, the State of California enacted a budget that included an initial \$100 million investment for the restoration of these facilities. This state investment was in furtherance of a federal-state-local partnership and matched local and federal funds that have been provided for the restoration prior years. This year's state budget proposes an additional \$100 million investment, demonstrating the state commitment to continuing the program. Similarly, local agencies have already committed over \$460 million towards the repair effort.

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In order to continue to move these projects forward and to demonstrate the continued federal commitment to this partnership, we respectfully request that the 2023 Energy and Water Development appropriations legislation include funding, at minimum, in the following amounts:

- \$6,000,000 to complete design for the repairs of the Delta-Mendota Canal
- \$12,000,000 to advance planning and preconstruction efforts to repair the San Luis Canal
- \$2,000,000 to advance Phase 2 planning efforts on the Friant-Kern Canal
- \$2,000,000 to advance planning efforts on the San Joaquin Field Division of the California Aqueduct

A broad coalition of state and federal water contractors support creating a statewide program to repair and restore California's critical water infrastructure. A three-way cost sharing strategy between the state and federal governments and local agencies will maintain the affordability of water supplies and reduce impacts on communities and the economy throughout California.

Thank you for your leadership to improving California's water resilience and your attention to this request.

Sincerely,



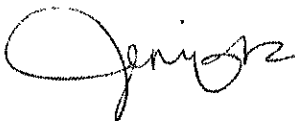
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Federico Barajas, Executive Director  
**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority**



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Jason Phillips, Chief Executive Officer  
**Friant Water Authority**



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Jennifer Pierre, General Manager  
**State Water Contractors**