

Water Storage Investment Program Quarterly Report

The Quarterly Report is intended to document applicants' progress toward complying with regulation section 6013 and receiving final WSIP funding, including any changes in the magnitude of public benefits that could affect cost allocation. Applicants must provide a summary level update of the project status for the requirements and milestones listed below. The template may be modified as necessary to effectively communicate information. If minimal activities occurred during a reporting period, the report can be condensed.

- Note any issues or concerns that have, will, or could affect milestones or requirements.
- Identify key issues, including legal issues such as lawsuits or injunctions related to the project, that need to be resolved.
- Discuss how the actual schedule is progressing in comparison to the schedule provided in the Initial Report or the last reported schedule.
- Update the project schedule as needed.
- Note any milestones or accomplishments that occurred since submittal of the prior Quarterly Report.

Project Information

Project Name:

Project Name: Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project

Applicant Name:

Santa Clara Valley Water District

Date:

July 31, 2022

Reporting Period:

2022 Quarter 2 - April through June

General Update and Key Issues

Please provide a general update and describe any key issues that occurred during this reporting period. You may attach additional documents or pages if more space is needed:

Project planning activities are nearing completion for design-related subjects. Project alternatives analysis and planning phase reports are being finalized.

The draft EIR was released to the public in November 2021. The public comment period ended on February 15, 2022. Valley Water and the Environmental consultant team are currently reviewing and preparing responses to public comments to be incorporated in the Final EIR.

The engineering team continues to perform design analyses and continues to update the Basis of Design Technical Memos. 30% design documents have been submitted for review to DSOD, USBR, and the project technical review board. Additional investigation plans are being finalized and investigations are starting up for new areas to gather additional environmental and geotechnical data.

Items Required Prior to Scheduling a Final Award Hearing

The following items must be provided prior to scheduling a hearing. As applicable, please describe the status, estimated completion date, and percent complete of:

1. Contracts for non-public cost share:

Status:

- Cost sharing for the Project and its potential operation and maintenance will be established in the Operating Agreement between Santa Clara Valley Water District, San Benito County Water District, and Pacheco Pass Water District.
- SCVWD is continuing its participation with the US Bureau of Reclamation in the San Luis Low Point Improvement Project. This project nexus could result in federal funding opportunities for the Project.
- SCVWD is pursuing partnerships with other agencies to contribute to project funding in exchange for storage space.

Estimated Completion Date: Prior to final award hearing in 2024

Percent Complete: 35%

2. Contracts for administration of public benefits:

Status: SCVWD will continue meeting with agencies administering public benefits for the Project along with other state and federal regulatory agencies to provide and discuss project updates.

Estimated Completion Date: 12/15/2023

Percent Complete: 25%

3. Completed feasibility studies:

Status:

Draft Updated Feasibility documentation was provided to CWC mid-November 2021.

Final feasibility documentation to be updated prior to full funding eligibility determination

Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

Percent Complete: 70%

4. Final environmental documentation:

Status:

Submit Draft EIR for distribution to public

11/17/2021

Submit Final EIR

12/15/2023

Estimated Completion Date: See above

Percent Complete: 50%

5. All required federal, state, and local approvals, certifications, and agreements:

Status: SCVWD has initiated communication with many of the regulatory agencies that will require permits, approvals, certifications, and agreements. See above section 2, interagency meetings.

Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

Percent Complete: 10%

Items Required to Execute a Funding Agreement

Please provide an update, as applicable, on the following documents, which are needed to execute a funding agreement for the project:

- Applicant's audited financial statements
- Final project costs, schedule, and scope of work
- Evidence of bilateral communications
- Limited waiver of sovereign immunity (see regulations section 6013(f)(8))

Updates to information provided in the Initial Report or prior Quarterly Reports are only needed when a significant change has occurred. The Commission may request submittal of updated information prior to executing a funding agreement.

Project costs and schedule are undergoing updates and will be provided when the Feasibility Documentation is final.

Status Update

Provide a status update for the following, as applicable:

- Labor Compliance
- Urban Water Management Plans
- Agricultural Water Management Plans
- Groundwater Management or Groundwater Sustainability Plans
- Potential effect of other conditionally eligible projects on the applicant's public benefits

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Update to the Groundwater Management/Sustainability Plans section:

The Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD) is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the entirety of the Santa Clara and Llagas Subbasins and prepared the 2021 Groundwater Management Plan that describes basin conditions, sustainability goals, strategies, programs, and outcome measures for those subbasins. In December 2021, SCVWD submitted this Board-adopted plan to the California Department of Water Resources as the first periodic update of the approved Alternative to a Groundwater Sustainability Plan. SCVWD also continues to submit required annual reports to the California Department of Water Resources by April 1 of each year.

San Benito County Water District (SBCWD) is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the majority of the North San Benito subbasin, which has been designated as a medium priority basin. SCVWD is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the small areas of the subbasin that extend outside the SBCWD service area and into Santa Clara County. The SBCWD and SCVWD have executed a Memorandum of Understanding concerning Sustainable Groundwater Management Act compliance, with SBCWD leading related efforts to develop a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the basin. After being adopted by the boards of both agencies, SBCWD submitted the plan to the Department of Water Resources by the 2022 statutory deadline.