

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:

January 31, 2021

Reporting Period:

2020 Quarter 4 - October through December

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 continue and the project team has developed draft planning phase deliverables. Project definition and alternatives analysis will be finalized within the coming few months.

Environmental investigations continue to collect information for project planning and environmental documents. The project description and framework for the draft EIR is being developed. Interagency virtual meetings are being conducted to present and discuss environmental topics.

The engineering team continues to perform design analyses and is beginning work on the Basis of Design Technical Memos for many of the different project elements. A feasibility level cost estimate was completed with significant updates to the construction cost estimate resulting in a total project cost estimate of \$2.5 Billion.

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. The Final Feasibility Report and EIS/EIR have been completed with the Pacheco Reservoir expansion as the preferred alternative. This project nexus could result in federal funding opportunities for the Project.

Estimated Completion Date: 6/27/2021, for 1st bullet

Percent Complete: 25%

2. Contracts for administration of public benefits:

Status: SCVWD has presented project information, operational scenarios, and held workshops with agencies administering public benefits for the Project along with other state and federal regulatory agencies. Several interagency workshops and focus group meetings were held virtually in October, November, and December 2020.

Estimated Completion Date: 12/15/2023

Percent Complete: 18%

3. Completed feasibility studies:

Status:

Draft Final State Feasibility Report will be provided to the Commission for review and comment

Estimated Completion Date: 10/27/2021

Percent Complete: 10%

4. Final environmental documentation:

Status:

Submit Draft EIR for distribution to public

12/3/2021

Submit Final EIR

7/18/2023

Estimated Completion Date: See above

Percent Complete: 20%

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: 5%

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.

Information provided in the Initial Report submitted October 30, 2018 remains up to date.

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 is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the entirety of the Santa Clara and Llagas Subbasins and prepared the 2016 Groundwater Management Plan that describes basin conditions, sustainability goals, strategies, programs, and outcome measures for those subbasins. In December 2016, SCVWD submitted this Board-adopted plan to the California Department of Water Resources as an Alternative to a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Alternative). In July 2019, the California Department of Water Resources approved the Alternative. As required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, SCVWD is preparing a five-year update of the Alternative, which will be submitted to the Department of Water Resources by January 2022. 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. Small areas of the subbasin that extend outside the SBCWD service area boundary and into Santa Clara County will be managed in partnership with Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD). The SBCWD and SCVWD have executed a Memorandum of Understanding concerning Sustainable Groundwater Management Act compliance, and the SBCWD is leading efforts to develop a GSP by the 2022 statutory deadline.