

## 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 30, 2023

Reporting Period:

2022 Quarter 4 - October 1 through December 31

### **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:

The Project Planning Phase has concluded with the completion of the Planning Study Report. Staff selected an earthfill dam at the upstream dam site as the recommended alternative which is described in the final report. The draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was released to the public in late 2021. Valley Water and the environmental consultant team have conducted interagency meetings and have begun preparing responses to comments. Additional environmental field investigations were performed, but they were put on hold when the rainy season started in November 2022. Valley Water anticipates releasing a draft Environmental Impact Statement and a recirculated draft EIR as a joint document to satisfy both state and federal environmental impact requirements.

The engineering team continues to perform design analyses and continues to update the Basis of Design Technical Memos as part of the 60% design development. The 30% design documents are under review by DSOD and comments expected back early 2023. Geotechnical investigations started up to gather additional geologic data and investigate new areas including site access roads and the power transmission alignment. These investigations were also paused when the rainy season started in November 2022.

## 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 2027

Percent Complete: 35%

### 2. Contracts for administration of public benefits:

Status: SCVWD continues conducting interagency meetings to discuss project updates and contract negotiations with agencies administering public benefits for the Project

Estimated Completion Date: 12/15/2023

Percent Complete: 35%

### 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: June 2027

Percent Complete: 70%

### 4. Final environmental documentation:

Status:

Submit recirculated Draft EIR/EIS for public distribution 05/15/2025

Submit Final EIR for public distribution 08/15/2026

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: September 2027

Percent Complete: 15%

## **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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Latest update to the Groundwater Management/Sustainability Plans provided in 2022 Quarter 2 report