

August 19, 2020

Mr. Ted Costa – Board President San Juan Water District P.O. Box 2157 Granite Bay, CA 95746

Re: SJWD CVRA Response – New Division Maps August 19, 2020 SJWD Public Meeting

Dear Mr. Costa:

Please instruct the Board Secretary to read these written comments during the Public Forum at the referenced public meeting. Also, please direct the Board Secretary to include this letter in the Board approved minutes for the August 19, 2020 SJWD Public Meeting.

I am in the unique position of working with the Fair Oaks Water District Board of Directors to provide a voice to over 37,000 of your wholesale ratepayers while also being a San Juan Water District (SJWD) retail ratepayer. As such, I have been monitoring the SJWD Board of Directors response to the lawsuit against the SJWD for violating the California Voters Rights Act very closely.

On April 22, 2020, you received a letter relative to California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) compliance from fellow elected officials representing over 60% of the population you were also elected to represent. In the following months, you also heard from many community representatives from the Granite Bay area relative to the same issue. Seemingly independent of this input from the SJWD ratepayers, and the public hearing process required for CVRA compliance, the SJWD is working on the development of proposed SJWD Division Maps "in the dark" – to be presented at a September 9, 2020 SJWD Board Meeting. Though meeting the minimum requirements for compliance with the CVRA, the process feels like continued disenfranchisement of a majority of the communities that you were elected to serve.

Since you were elected to represent and advocate for all the people, I request that you endorse giving all of your wholesale customers a voice in the creation of division boundary maps for the SJWD by forming a seven-member citizen's advisory committee of the following:

1 member	Selected by the Placer County Board of Supervisors
1 member	Selected by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors
1 member	Selected by the City of Folsom
1 member	Selected by the Orange Vale Water Company
1 member	Selected by the Citrus Heights Water District
1 member	Selected by the San Juan Water District – Retail Service Area
1 member	Selected by the Fair Oaks Water District

Relevant involvement by the proposed citizen's advisory committee would provide for a truly transparent and inclusive process. Again, please consider actively working together with other leaders of the SJWD Wholesale service area to provide the leadership required to give a voice to the diverse population that you were elected to serve.

Sincerely,

Tom R. Gray

FOWD General Manager SJWD-R Ratepayer

c: Jennifer Buckman, BKS

Robert Donlan, ES&H

Teri Grant, SJWD Board Secretary

# SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AGENDA 9935 Auburn Folsom Road Granite Bay, CA 95746

August 19, 2020 6:00 p.m.

This Board meeting will be conducted both in-person at the District's Boardroom at the address above, and via videoconference. Due to State guidelines on physical distancing in public gatherings, the Boardroom can accommodate a maximum of 10 members of the public at one time. The District recommends that members of the public participate in Board meetings via videoconference per the instructions below. Persons who do plan to attend the meeting in person are urged to contact the Board Secretary prior to the meeting. The contact information for the Board Secretary is:

Teri Grant (916) 791-6905 tgrant@sjwd.org

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https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4060370406127309072

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Your line will be muted. If you wish to make a public comment, you may use the "raise your hand" or "question" function to address the Board.

\*\*\*Important Notice: For any meetings that include a closed session, the webinar will be terminated when the Board adjourns into closed session. Members of the public who would like to receive the report out from closed session and time of adjournment from closed session into open session and adjournment of the meeting should provide a valid email address to the District's Board Secretary, Teri Grant, at: <a href="mailto:tgrant@sjwd.org">tgrant@sjwd.org</a>, before or during the meeting. No other business will be conducted after the Board adjourns from closed session into open session. Promptly after the meeting, the Secretary will email the written report to all persons timely requesting this information.

Whether attending via videoconference or in person, the public is invited to listen, observe, and provide comments during the meeting by any of the methods described above. The Board President will call for public comment on each agenda item at the appropriate time and all votes will be taken by roll call.

The Board may take action on any item on the agenda, including items listed on the agenda as information items. The Board may add an item to the agenda (1) upon a determination by at least three Board members that an emergency situation exists, or (2) upon a determination by at least four Board members (or by three Board members if there are only three Board members present) that the need to take action became apparent after the agenda was posted.

The public may address the Board concerning an agenda item either before or during the Board's consideration of that agenda item. Public comment on items within the jurisdiction of the Board is welcome, subject to reasonable time limitations for each speaker. Upon request, agenda items may be moved up to accommodate those in attendance wishing to address that item. Please inform the General Manager if you have such a request to expedite an agenda item.

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Documents and materials that are related to an open session agenda item that are provided to the District Board less than 72 hours prior to a regular meeting will be made available for public inspection and copying at the District office during normal District business hours.

If you are an individual with a disability and need assistance or accommodation to participate in this Board meeting, please call Teri Grant, Board Secretary, at 916-791-0115, or email Ms. Grant at tgrant@sjwd.org.

# Please silence cell phones and refrain from side conversations during the meeting.

#### I. **ROLL CALL**

## 11. **PUBLIC FORUM**

During the Public Forum, the Board may ask District staff for clarification, refer the matter to District staff or ask District staff to report back at a future meeting. The Board will not take action on any matter raised during the Public Forum, unless the Board first makes the determination to add the matter to the agenda.

### III. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board, Audience, or Staff request a specific item removed after the motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

- Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting, July 22, 2020 (W & R) Recommendation: Approve draft minutes
- 2. Minutes of the Board of Directors Special Meeting, July 22, 2020 (W & R) Recommendation: Approve draft minutes
- 3. Minutes of the Board of Directors Special Meeting, August 3, 2020 (W & R) Recommendation: Approve draft minutes
- 4. Minutes of the Board of Directors Special Meeting, August 5, 2020 (W & R) Recommendation: Approve draft minutes
- 5. Upper and Lower Granite Bay Pump Stations Low Flow Pump Improvements Project - Construction Phase Support Services (R)

Recommendation:

For authorization and approval of a professional services contract for Construction Phase Support Services during construction of the Upper and Lower Granite Bay Low Flow Pumps Project

6. Baldwin Channel Lining and Culvert Project - Environmental Permitting (W)

Recommendation:

To approve authorization and approval of Amendment #1 to ECorp Consulting, Inc. for Environmental Services for

the Baldwin Channel Lining and Culvert Project

7. Treasurers Report – Quarter Ending June 30, 2020 (W & R)

Recommendation:

Receive and File

8. Capital Asset Policy Revisions (W & R)

Recommendation:

Approve amendments to the FIN-5.2 Capital Asset Policy

9. Investment Policy Revisions (W & R)

Recommendation:

Approve amendments to the FIN-5.6 Investment Policy