#### SACRAMENTO SUBURBAN WATER DISTRICT AND SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

#### HISTORY AND BACKGROUND OF COMBINATION DISCUSSIONS



# AGENCIES BACKGROUND/HISTORY

SSWD

- Arcade Water District and Northridge Water District consolidate into Sacramento Suburban Water District on February 1, 2002
- County Water District

# SSWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5 Board members elected by Division.

Board of Directors: Kevin Thomas, President, 2022-2026 Robert Wichert, Vice President, 2022-2026 Craig Locke, 2022-2026 David Jones, 2020-2024 Jay Boatwright, 2022-2024

# AGENCIES BACKGROUND/HISTORY

#### SJWD

- Created in 1950s
  - By vote of people
  - To purchase North Fork Ditch Company Water Rights
  - To negotiate contract with USBR
  - To provide wholesale water supply to CHWD, FOWD, OVWC, City of Folsom (North of the American River), and SJWD retail service area
  - Community Services District

# SJWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

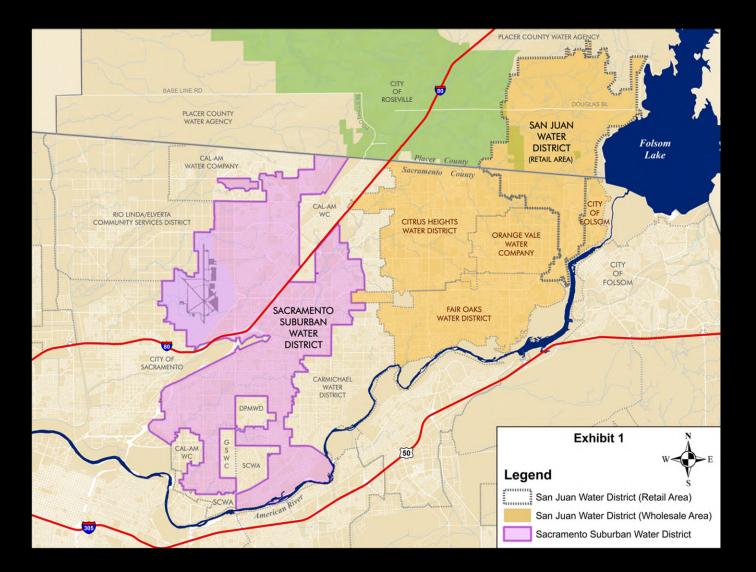
5 Board members elected by Division

- Board of Directors:
- Manual Zamorano President, 2022-2026
- Edward "Ted" Costa, Vice President, 2022-2026
- Dan Rich, 2022-2026
- Kenneth Miller, 2020-2024
- Pamela Tobin, 2020-2024

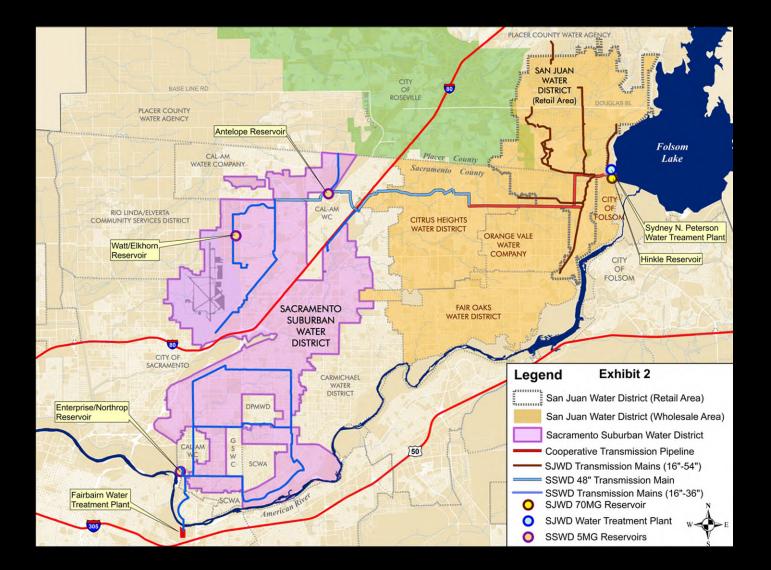
# MISSION STATEMENTS

- SJWD To ensure the delivery of a reliable water supply of the highest quality at a reasonable and equitable price.
- SSWD To deliver a high quality, reliable supply of water and superior customer service at a reasonable price.

# SERVICE AREAS



### INFRASTRUCTURE



# CURRENT STATISTICS

SERVICE AREA	SSWD	SJWD Wholesale Service Area	SJWD Retail Service Area
No. of square miles	36	45	17
Population served	195,000	~150,000 SJWD wholesale	~30,000
No. of connections	47,000	~52,600 connections total in all SJWD wholesale agencies	~10,900
No. of metered connections	47,000	~51,000 metered connections total metered)	~10,410

# CURRENT STATISTICS

	SSWD	SJWD wholesale	SJWD retail
Budget 2024	\$63,950,000	\$15,200,000	\$40,000,000
Personnel	75 FTE	18.7 FTE	31.3 FTE

### SSWD WATER SUPPLIES

Groundwater Supply

- Groundwater wells = 71 groundwater wells (5 new wells; 1 recently activated, 4 under construction)
- Groundwater capacity = 118 MGD
- Storage = 15.8 MG
- 2023 total production = 30,019 AF

Surface Water Entitlements

- 26,064 AF City of Sacramento
- 29,000 AF PCWA
- 215 Water Reclamation

# SJWD WATER SUPPLIES

Groundwater Supplies 0

Surface Water Rights

- 33,000 AF pre-1914 water rights
- 24,200 AF Bureau CVP
- 25,000 AF PCWA

### BACKGROUND

- Initially requested by SSWD in 2011
  - feasibility of consolidation of functions (e.g., inventory, purchases, etc.)
  - no additional functions were identified
- Previous effort spanned nearly 4 years
  - Better water management
  - Conjunctive use
  - Shortage conditions (e.g., 2015 Drought)

# PHASE 1

- SJWD and SSWD initiated conversations to identify possible functional reorganizations in 2011:
- increase efficiency and effectiveness
- functional items, such as purchasing, outsourcing, sharing of staff, etc.
- Joint Board meeting in March 2013 to discuss opportunities for improvements in regional water management, resource sustainability, and long-term water supply reliability:

Do nothing

Increase interagency cooperation

Consider organizational changes up to and including potential agency reorganization

• Initiated a Phase 1 Study

# **PHASE I STUDY**

- Very high level study focused on water resource management
- Three options for Better Water Management identified and studied:
- Option 1 continue as separate agencies without changes to water supply or outside agency approvals
- Option 2 remain separate agencies, but share resources through agreements that require outside agency approvals
- Option 3 Reorganizing the two districts

# **PHASE I RECOMMENDATION**

Option 3 – Reorganization

Best For Water Management Between Agencies

Districts Have Complementary Assets

Using Assets to Provide a Significant Method For Achieving Water Supply Reliability For Both Districts

No Fatal Flaws Identified

Joint Board Meeting – April 28, 2014

Phase 1 Study Accepted

Phase 2 Study Approved

# PHASE 2

Joint Board Meeting – April 28, 2014

- Phase 2 Study Divided into Part A and B
- 2x2 Committee Instructed To Manage Phase 2A
- End of 2A is a milestone; Go/No Go Decision

2x2 Committee developed the Phase 2A Analysis Process:

- Scope-of-Work
- Budget \$100,000
- Equal Cost Sharing
- Hired Mr. John O'Farrell as Principal Consultant
- Hired MMS Strategies to Conduct Messaging/Outreach

# PHASE 2A STUDY

Scope of Work Included:

- Focused, methodical, and transparent effort
- Summarize findings, recommendations of Phase 1
- High level analysis of merger

Formation Governance Board of Directors Administration Staffing Customer Assurance Stakeholder outreach and customer polling

# PHASE 2A ANALYSIS

Scope of Work did not have budget to include:

- Customer Outreach
- Performa Financial Analysis
- Human Resource Analysis
- District Operations
- Water Operation Plans

This Scope to be covered if Phase 2B Go Decision is made

# PHASE 2A RESULTS

Phase 2A results:

- Summary of Phase 1 benefits
- Identification of stakeholder issues and concerns
- Description of existing districts structure and data
- Elements of possible restructuring
- Type of restructured district
- Potential model of reorganized district
- Affect on customers

# PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED ON PHASE 2A ANALYSIS

Eighteen Responses Received by June 5, 2015 deadline

- Eleven from SSWD Customers
- Four from SJWD Customers
- Two from Neighboring Water Agencies
- One from a Water Industry Professional

Comment Assessment:

- Related to the Draft Phase 2A Analysis report
- Required further review/analysis to be answered in Phase 2B Analysis report

# PROPOSED PHASE 2B SCOPE

- Respond to Comments Received from Phase 2A
- Governance
- Financial
- Human Resource
- Operations
- Customer Outreach
- Final Phase 2B Report

# JOINT BOARD MEETING JUNE 25, 2015

Reviewed the reorganization process up through Phase 2A milestone

Consultant Report

Phase 2A and 2B combined for final Phase 2 Analysis report

Phase 3 would involve the LAFCo application process

• Public Comment.....

# JOINT BOARD MEETING JUNE 25, 2015

Consider Motion to Approve Phase 2B Scope of Work and Proposed Budget

- SSWD motion to pay consultant for Phase 2A Analysis report work, but not accept Phase 2A Analysis report. Passed 4-1
- SJWD motion to accept Phase 2A Analysis report. Passed 4-0 (Director absent)
- SSWD motion to suspend all work on reorganization discussions. Passed 4-1
- No motion from SJWD

# QUESTIONS?