



## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Nai Hsueh,  
BPPC Chair

**SUBJECT:** Board Policy and Planning Committee  
(BPPC) April 5, 2021 Meeting Summary

**DATE:** April 6, 2021

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This memorandum summarizes agenda items from the regular meeting of the Board Policy and Planning Committee (BPPC) held on April 5, 2021.

### **Develop Draft Fiscal Year 2021-22 (FY22) Board Work Plan based upon the outcome of the January 27, 2021 Strategic Planning Session**

The BPPC reviewed information collected during the FY22 Board Strategic Planning Session, provided some clarifying language and additional input, and recommended that that plan be forwarded to the full Board for review and approval.

### **Discuss Board Governance Ends Policy E-2**

Staff presented six draft policy goals developed to achieve the draft Board Governance Ends Policy E-2 – **Valley Water provides a reliable, safe, and affordable water supply for current and future generations in all communities served.** The BPPC provided additional input and requested staff return to the BPPC in May with updated language.

### **Climate Change Policy and Action Plan**

Staff presented the draft Climate Change Ends Policy E-5 and an update on the draft Climate Change Action Plan. The update included revised language for E-5 as well as an update on the outreach strategies and metrics, common comment topics, tools being developed to respond and share comments and/or suggestions and proposed next steps for program implementation. The BPPC provided input and recommended that the draft Ends Policy E-5 and draft Climate Change Action plan be presented to the full Board for consideration.

### **Report on Efforts to Align Board Committee Work Plans with the Board Work Plan and Planning Calendar**

BPPC Chair Hsueh conveyed two informal requests from Environmental and Water Resources (EWRC) and Agricultural Water (Ag Water) Advisory Committees members:

EWRC – At their January 25, 2021 meeting, the EWRC reorganized their work groups to align with the Board's FY21 Work Plan to better engage and educate committee members on the Board's priorities. Following that meeting, Bob Levy, 2021 EWRC Chair, met with BPPC Chair Hsueh and conveyed a request to provide minimal staff support for the newly formed EWRC work groups. The BPPC discussed this request, provided input, and asked staff to prepare for full Board consideration a proposed draft approach that could include limited staff support and a process for conveying and tracking requests that could be used by all Advisory Committees.

Ag Water – At their meeting on April 5, 2021, a committee member requested that in addition to the current Zoom teleconference format, consideration be given to allow in-person attendance at meetings. This was not a formal request of the committee; however, several members expressed support. The BPPC discussed, and stated concerns for complying with county shelter in place orders still in effect and the fact that Valley Water buildings aren't open to the public. It was stated that if in-person meetings were allowed, then it would need to be opened for all advisory committees to ensure equality. Due to the previously stated concerns, the BPPC didn't support this request.

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