## **Public Hearing**

**Groundwater Production & Other Water Charges** 

April 10, 2018

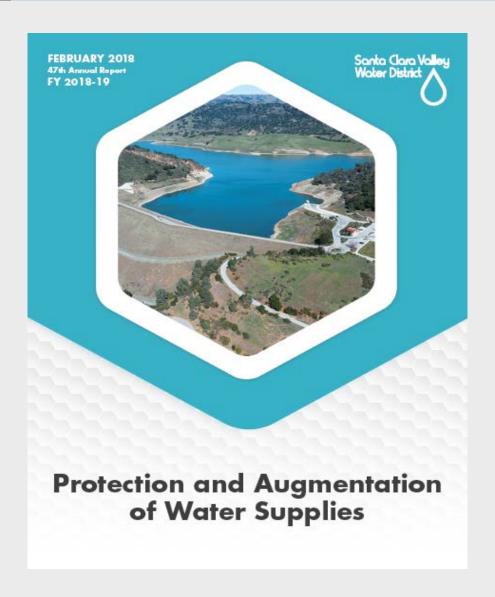


#### Public Hearing has Three Specific Objectives

- Present annual report on Santa Clara Valley Water District's activities and recommended groundwater production charges
- Provide opportunity for any interested person to "...appear and submit evidence concerning the subject of the written report" to the Board of Directors

 Determine and affix Groundwater Production and Other Water Charges for FY 2018-19

#### 47th Annual Report Provides Information, Accountability

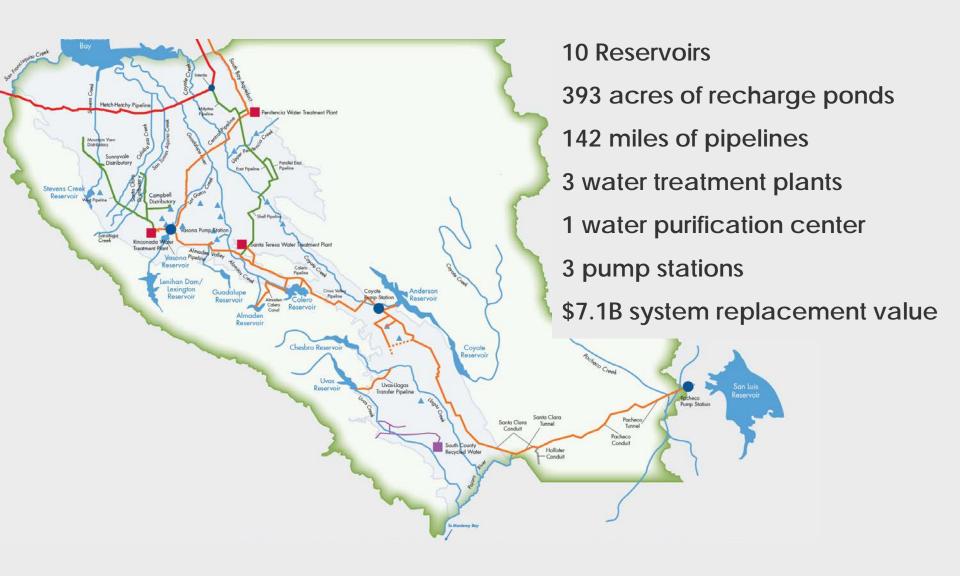


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Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies Report

www.valleywater.org

#### A comprehensive, flexible water system serves 1.9 million people



#### Many activities ensure safe, reliable groundwater supplies

- Plan & construct improvements to infrastructure
- Purchase imported water
- Operate & maintain raw & recycled water pipelines
- Operate & maintain local reservoirs
- Monitor & protect groundwater from pollutants





#### **Topics For Today's Public Hearing**

- ► Rate Setting Process
- FY 19 financial analysis and projections
  - Water Usage
  - Cost Projection
  - Proposed Maximum Groundwater Production Charges & Staff Proposed Adjustments
  - State Water Project Tax
- Schedule/Wrap up

# Rate Setting Process

#### District Act Defines Uses for Groundwater Charges

- District Act Section 26.3: Defines purposes of groundwater production charges that can be imposed on a zone of benefit
  - Pay for construction, operation and maintenance of imported water facilities
  - 2. Pay for imported water purchases
  - Pay for constructing, maintaining and operating facilities which will conserve or distribute water including facilities for groundwater recharge, surface distribution, and purification and treatment
  - 4. Pay for debt incurred for purposes 1, 2 and 3

#### Pricing Policy helps Optimize Use of Water Resources

Resolution 99-21: Utility taxing and pricing policy guides staff in the development of the overall structure to charge recipients for the various direct and indirect benefits received

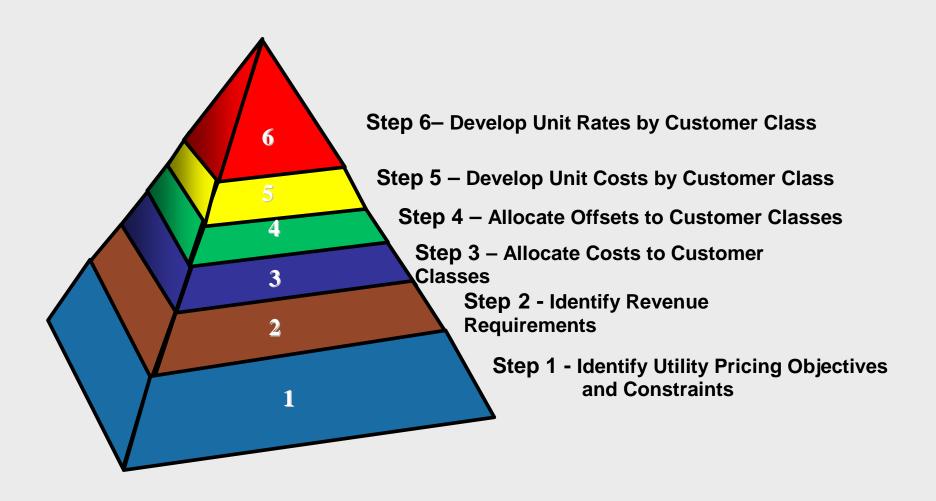
Key concept – "water supplies are managed, through taxing and pricing, to obtain the effective utilization of the water resources of the District..."

Objective: Maximize effective use of available resources

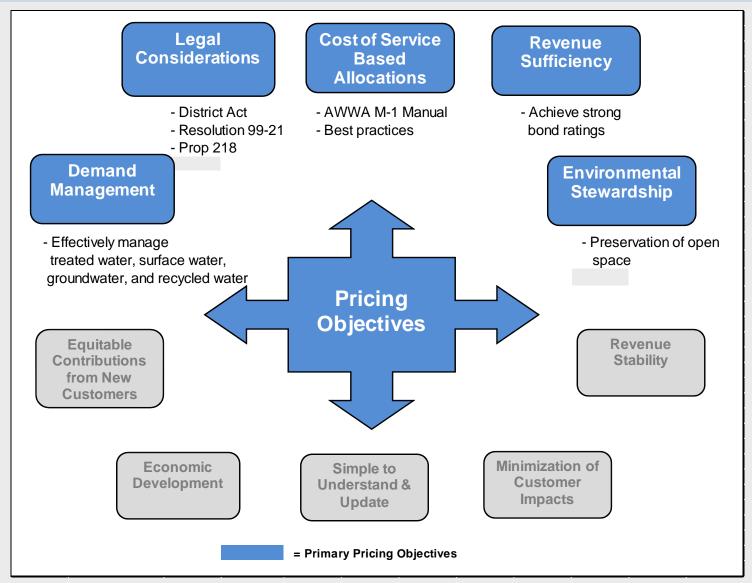
## The Charge Setting Process is Consistent with Resolutions 12-10 and 12-11

- Meets the procedural and substantive requirements for establishing property related fees
- ► Includes cost of service analysis by customer class
- ► Includes protest procedure as defined in Board Resolutions 12-10 & 12-11
  - ▶ Prior Year Results North County = <1.1% for GW, 0% for SW
  - ▶ Prior Year Results South County = <0.6% for GW, 0% for SW

#### The District follows best practice rate making steps



#### Pricing Objectives and Constraints



# FY 19 Financial Analysis and Projections

#### FY 19 Key Assumptions

#### California Water Fix (CWF):

- Cost projection based on 7.5% share of SWP-only CWF project
- State Water Project Tax reliance to be considered when CWF agreements are in place

#### **Expedited Purified Water Program:**

- Includes P3 project delivery method for IPR to Los Gatos Ponds to produce 24KAF
  - ▶ P3 cost projection based on \$630M capital project, District contributes 30% "pay as you go"
  - Includes new P3 reserve at \$4M in FY 19 growing to \$10M by FY 21
- Includes Long Term Purified Water Program Project to produce incremental 20KAF
  - P3 cost projection based on \$368M capital project, District contributes 30% "pay as you go"

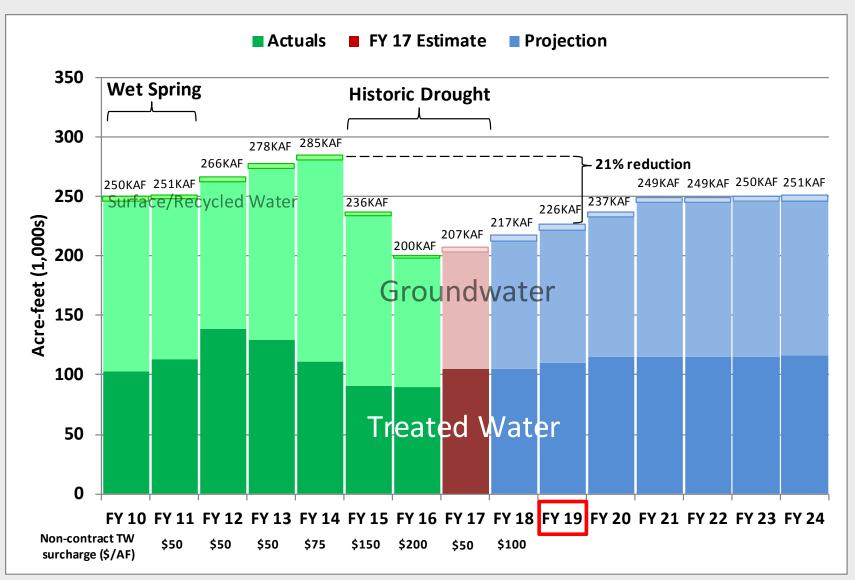
#### **Drought Reserve:**

Increased from \$5 million to \$7 million for FY 19

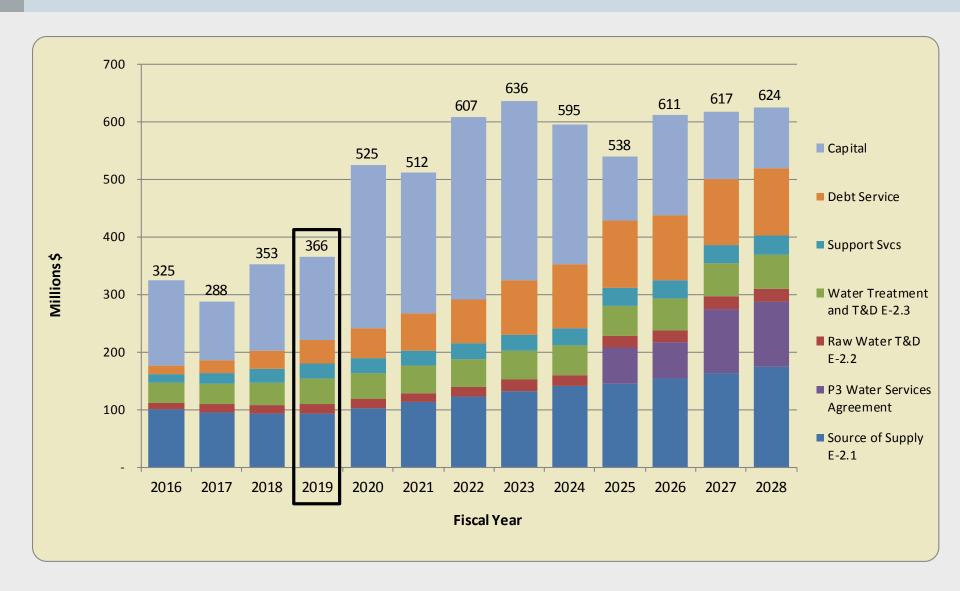
#### Water Supply Master Plan:

▶ Includes "No Regrets" Package

#### District Managed Water Usage drives revenue projection



#### **Cost Projection**



#### Key Capital Project Funding for FY 19 through FY 28



Dam Seismic Retrofits/Improvements \$678 Million (\$780 Million Total Cost)



RWTP Reliability Improvements \$125 Million (\$290 Million Total Cost)



Expedited Purified
Water Program
(\$1 Billion Total Cost,
via P3 Delivery Method)

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#### Key Capital Project Funding for FY 19 through FY 28 (cont'd)

 FAHCE Implementation Fund (\$145M placeholder)

10 Year Pipeline
 Rehabilitation (\$98M)

 Vasona Pumping Plant Upgrade (\$20M)

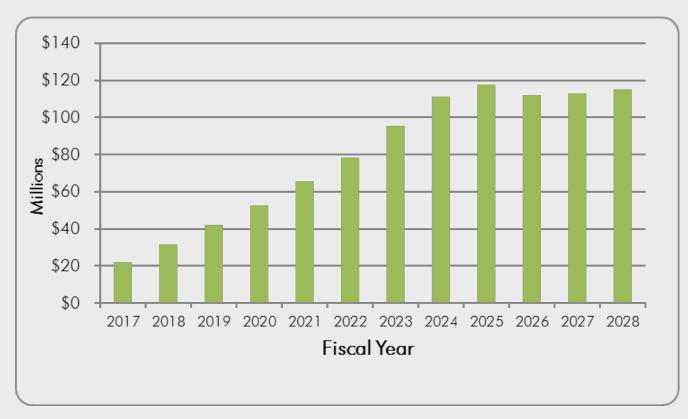


#### Some projects cannot be funded without higher future charges

- Pacheco Reservoir Expansion (\$1.2B)
- Dam Seismic Stability at 2 Dams – Unfunded portion (\$89.5M)
- SCADA Small Capital Improvements (\$19.6M)
- South County
   Recycled Water
   Reservoir Expansion
   (\$7.0M)

- Land Rights South
   County Recycled
   Water Pipeline (\$5.8M)
- Alamitos Diversion
   Dam Improvements
   (\$3.2M)
- Coyote Diversion Dam Improvements (\$2.5M)

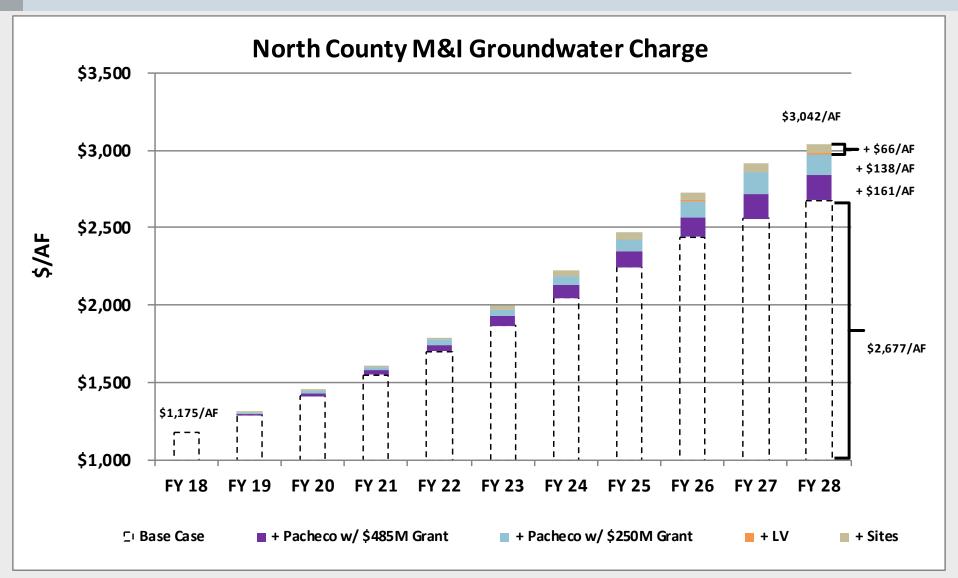
#### Implementation of CIP results in debt service increases



\$42.0M in FY 2018-19 \$116.5M in FY 2027-28

Debt service coverage
 ratio targeted at 2.0
 helps ensure financial
 stability and high credit
 ratings

#### Water Supply Investment Scenarios



#### Notes:

- Stacked bar reflects incremental rate impact associated with adding each alternative
- Base Case includes CWF @ 7.5%

# **Proposed Maximum Groundwater Production Charges & Staff Proposed** Adjustments

#### FY 2019: North County Proposed Maximum Charges

9.7% 9.9% increase for M&I groundwater production

Staff proposed adjustments as of 3/14/18

8.9% 9.1% increase for contract treated water 14.0%

9.7% 9.8% increase for M&I surface water & 14.1% for Ag surface water

22.0% 22.3% increase for Ag groundwater production

	Do	Dollars Per Acre Foot			
	FY 2016–17	FY 2017–18	Proposed Maximum FY 2018–19		
ne W-2 (North County)					
Basic User/Groundwater Production Charge					
Municipal & Industrial	1,072.00	1,175.00	1,291.00	1,289.	
Agricultural	23.59	25.09	30.67	30.6	
Surface Water Charge					
Surface Water Master Charge	27.46	33.36	36.00	35.9	
Total Surface Water, Municipal & Industrial*	1,099.46	1,208.36	1,327.00	1,324	
Total Surface Water, Agricultural*	51.04	58.45	66.67	66.5	
Treated Water Charges					
Contract Surcharge	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Total Treated Water Contract Charge**	1,172.00	1,275.00	1,391.00	1,389	
Non-Contract Surcharge	50.00	50.00	50.00		
Total Treated Water Non-Contract Charge***	1,122.00	1,225.00	1,341.00	1,339	

<sup>\*</sup>Note: The total surface water charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the water master charge

\$4.00 per month average household increase

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note: The total treated water contract charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the contract surcharge

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#### FY 2019: South County Proposed Maximum Charges

7.7% 7.2% increase for M&I & 22.3% for Ag groundwater production adjustments as of 7.7% 7.9% increase for M&I surface water & 14.1% for Ag surface water 8.3% increase for M&I recycled water & 22.3% for Ag recycled water 22.0%

	Do	Dollars Per Acre Foot				
	FY 2016–17	FY 2017–18	Proposed Maximum FY 2018–19			
one W-5 (South County)						
Basic User/Groundwater Production Charge						
Municipal & Industrial	393.00	418.00	451.00	450		
Agricultural	23.59	25.09	30.67	30		
Surface Water Charge						
Surface Water Master Charge	27.46	33.36	36.00	35		
Total Surface Water, Municipal & Industrial*	420.46	451.36	487.00	485		
Total Surface Water, Agricultural*	51.04	58.45	66.67	66		
Recycled Water Charges						
Municipal & Industrial	373.00	398.00	431.00	430		
Agricultural	47.38	48.88	54.46	54.		

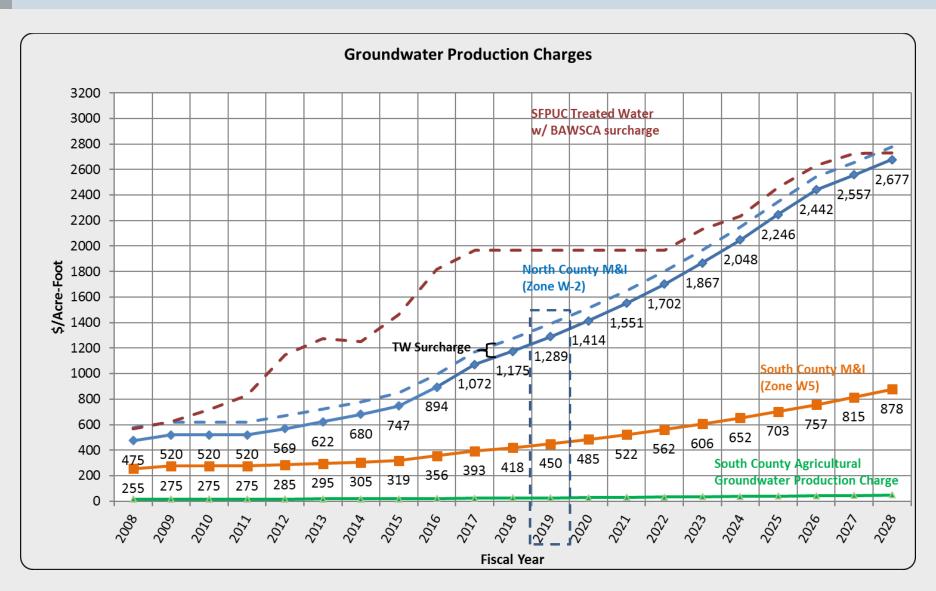
<sup>\*</sup>Note: The total surface water charge is the sum of the basic user charge (which equals the groundwater production charge) plus the water master charge

\$1.14 per month average household increase

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#### **Groundwater Production Charge Projection**



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	Adjusted Budget							
Base Case	2017–18	2018–19	2019–20	2020–21	2021–22	2022–23	2023–24	2024–25
No. County (W-2) M&I GWP charge (\$/AF)	\$1,175	\$1,289	\$1,414	\$1,551	\$1,702	\$1,867	\$2,048	\$2,246
Y-Y Growth %	9.6%	9.7%	9.7%	9.7%	9.7%	9.7%	9.7%	9.7%
So. County (W-5) M&I GWP charge (\$/AF)	\$418	\$450	\$485	\$522	\$562	\$606	\$652	\$703
Y-Y Growth %	6.4%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%
Ag GWP charge (\$/AF)	\$25.09	\$30.61	\$32.97	\$35.51	\$38.24	\$41.19	\$44.36	\$47.77
Y-Y Growth %	6.4%	22.0%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%
Operating & Capital Reserve	\$45,117	\$35,459	\$45,828	\$50,377	\$53,626	\$60,021	\$61,781	\$71,758
Supplemental Water Supply Reserve (\$K)	\$14,677	\$15,077	\$15,477	\$15,877	\$16,277	\$16,677	\$17,077	\$17,477
Sr. Lien Debt Svc Cov Ratio (1.25 min)	2.56	2.39	2.92	2.77	2.60	2.41	2.36	1.98
South County (Deficit)/Reserves (\$K)	\$11,507	\$8,444	\$10,896	\$11,735	\$13,120	\$15,450	\$10,767	\$8,109

#### Assumptions:

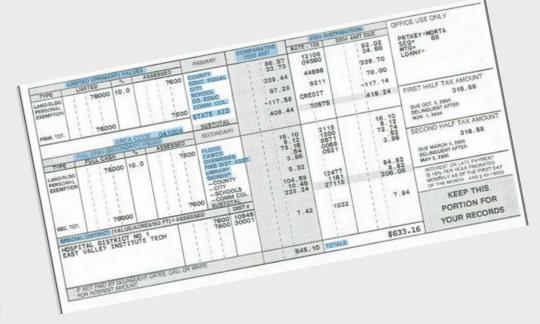
- Water Usage: FY 2018-19 at 226KAF, 4.1% increase vs FY 18 estimate & 21% reduction vs CY 2013
- Operations Costs: Consistent with Adopted FY 2017-18 budget
- ▶ CIP: Proposed FY 19-23 CIP is funded

#### State Water Project Tax Recommendation

- Staff recommends decreasing the SWP tax from \$26M to \$18M
- ► The SWP tax bill for the average single family residence would decrease from \$39.00 to \$27.00/year.

### Impact if SWP tax not approved:

- \$98/AF in terms of North County M&I groundwater production charge
- \$21/AF in terms of South County M&I groundwater production charge
- \$525,000 in terms of Open space credit



## Schedule & Wrap Up

#### Hearings and Feedback Ensure Feedback and Transparency

#### 2018 schedule for hearings and meetings

- ✓ Jan 9 Board Meeting on Preliminary Groundwater Prod. Charge Analysis
- ✓ Feb 24 Mail notice of public hearing and file PAWS report
- ✓ March 21 Water Retailers Meeting
- ✓ April 2 Ag Water Advisory Committee
- ✓ April 3 Landscape Committee Meeting
  - April 10 Open Public Hearing
  - April 11 Water Commission Meeting
  - April 12 Continue Public Hearing in Gilroy (Informational Open House)
  - April 16 Environmental & Water Resources Committee
  - April 24 Conclude Public Hearing
  - May 8 Adopt budget & groundwater production and other water

charges

Note: Protests may be submitted between the date the notice was mailed (February 23) and the conclusion of the hearing (April 24)

#### Feedback from Advisory Committees and Community

- Water Retailers
- Ag Advisory
- Landscape Committee
- Public Phone Calls

#### **Summary and Next Steps**

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► FY 19 increase driven by critical investments in water supply infrastructure, and investments in future supplies

#### Next Steps

- Obtain Feedback from Water Commission and Environmental
   Water Resources Committee
- Continue Hearing to April 12 in Gilroy

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