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CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, June 2, 2026



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Members of the public may address the Board regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on off-agenda items except as authorized by law. Each speaker is limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.

Closed Session

2.1 Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54947 Public Employee Appointment Title: Special Counsel



Public Hearing Item 3.1

Public Hearing on the 2025 San Bernardino Valley Regional Urban Water Management Plan (RUWMP) and Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP)



Public Hearing Presentation

Adekunle Ojo, MPA – Manager Of Integrative Planning

Michael Plinski, PE – Chief of Water Resources

Regional Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan

Purpose of the Hearing

- Every five (5) years, San Bernardino Valley prepares an UWMP and WSCP for the State of California; this is required by the UWMP Act of 1983 as amended
- The UWMP integrates many elements, including:
 - Service area land use changes and population growth
 - Historical and projected water demands
 - Availability of water supplies
 - Supply reliability under normal, single dry, and multiple dry year scenarios
 - Water shortage contingency planning (standalone plan)
 - Demand management or water conservation programs
- UWMP and WSCP due to the State no later than July 1

Key Elements

- **Service area land use changes and population growth**

- Population of the service area would grow about an average of 0.6% per year from almost 734,000 in 2025 to about 806,000 in 2040 and 847,000 in 2050

- **Historical and projected water demands**

- Total water demand in the service area is projected to increase by 17,000 acre-feet a year in normal years between 2030 and 2050
- The increase demand would be supported by planned projects in the UWMP
 - Assumes 2,000 AFY from stormwater capture projects (e.g. PERC) and one project implemented every 5 years
 - 3,000 AFY from SWP water recharged at Cactus Basins
 - Balance met from various sources including imported water/Sites, additional stormwater capture, and recycled water

- **Availability of water supplies**

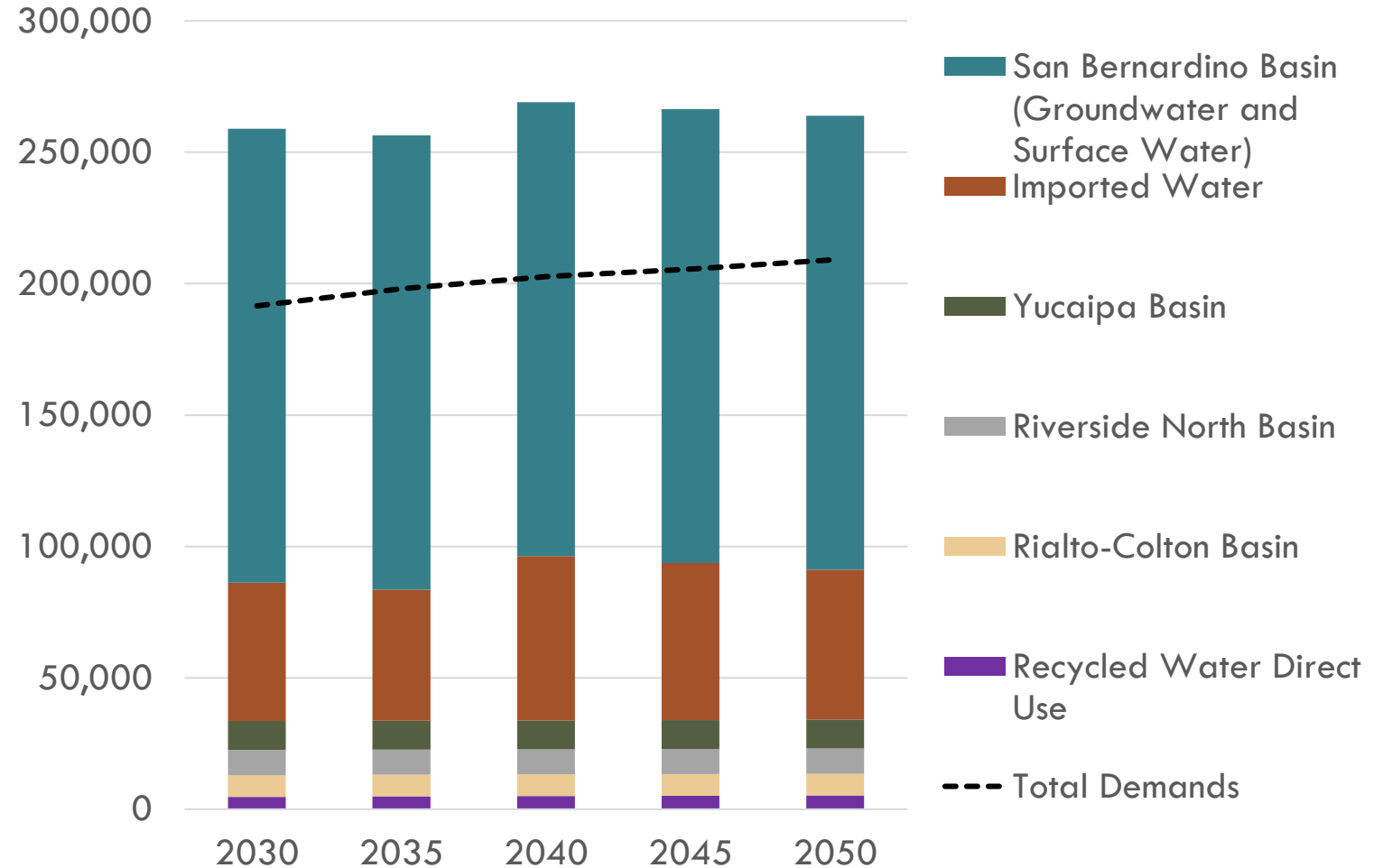
- Extreme heat, drought duration and intensity, and wildfire poses the greatest risk

Other Elements

- Supply reliability under normal, single dry, and multiple dry year scenarios (next 3 slides)
- Water shortage contingency planning (standalone plan)
 - Water shortage stages
 - Shortage response actions
 - Communication protocols
- Demand management or water conservation programs

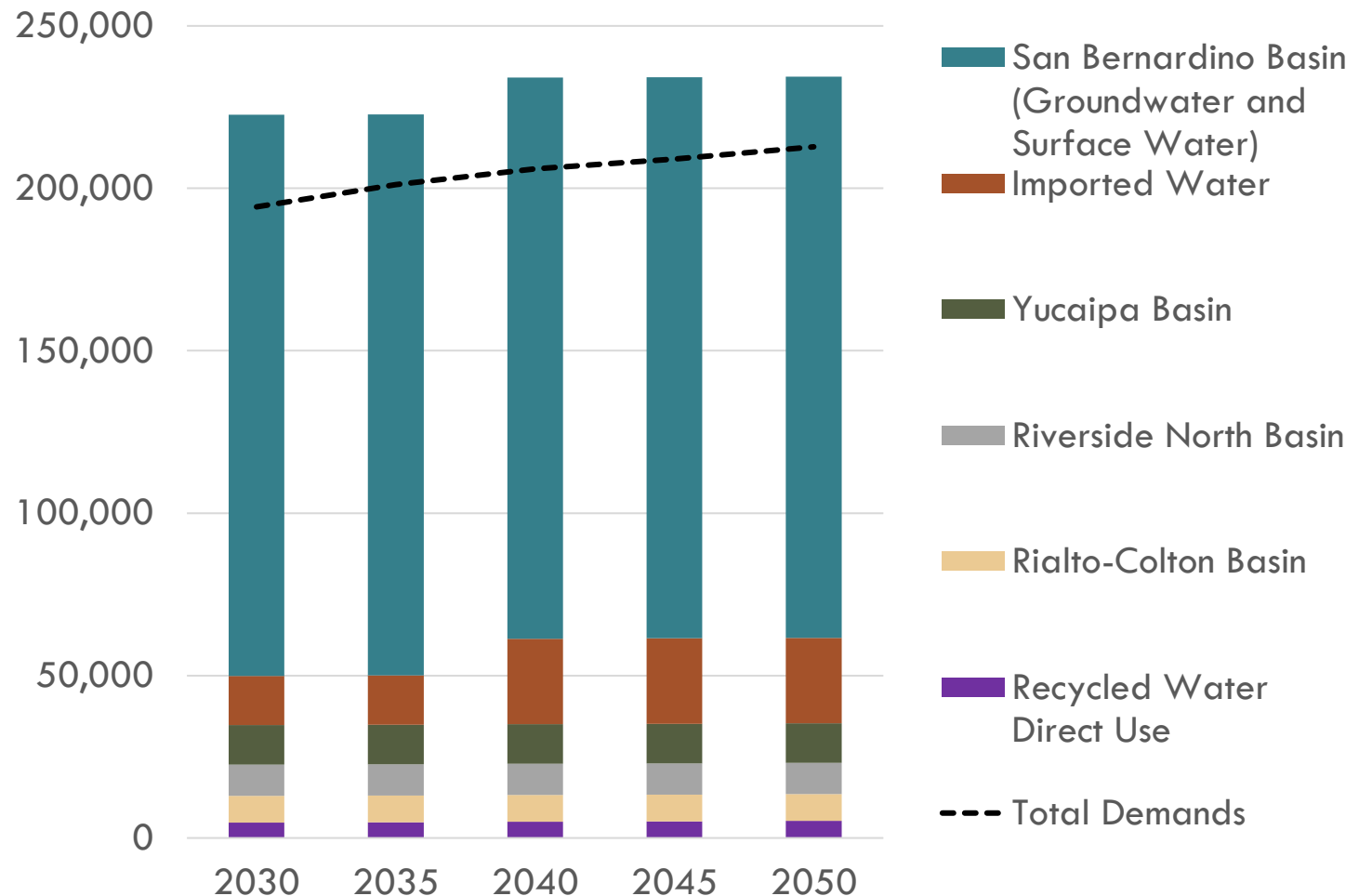
Water Supply Reliability – Normal (“Typical”) Year

- The regional water budget shows that available supplies are sufficient to meet the demands of the region
- In addition to core supplies shown here, there are cooperative efforts in the region to store recycled water, surface water and imported SWP water in the groundwater basins for use during dry years



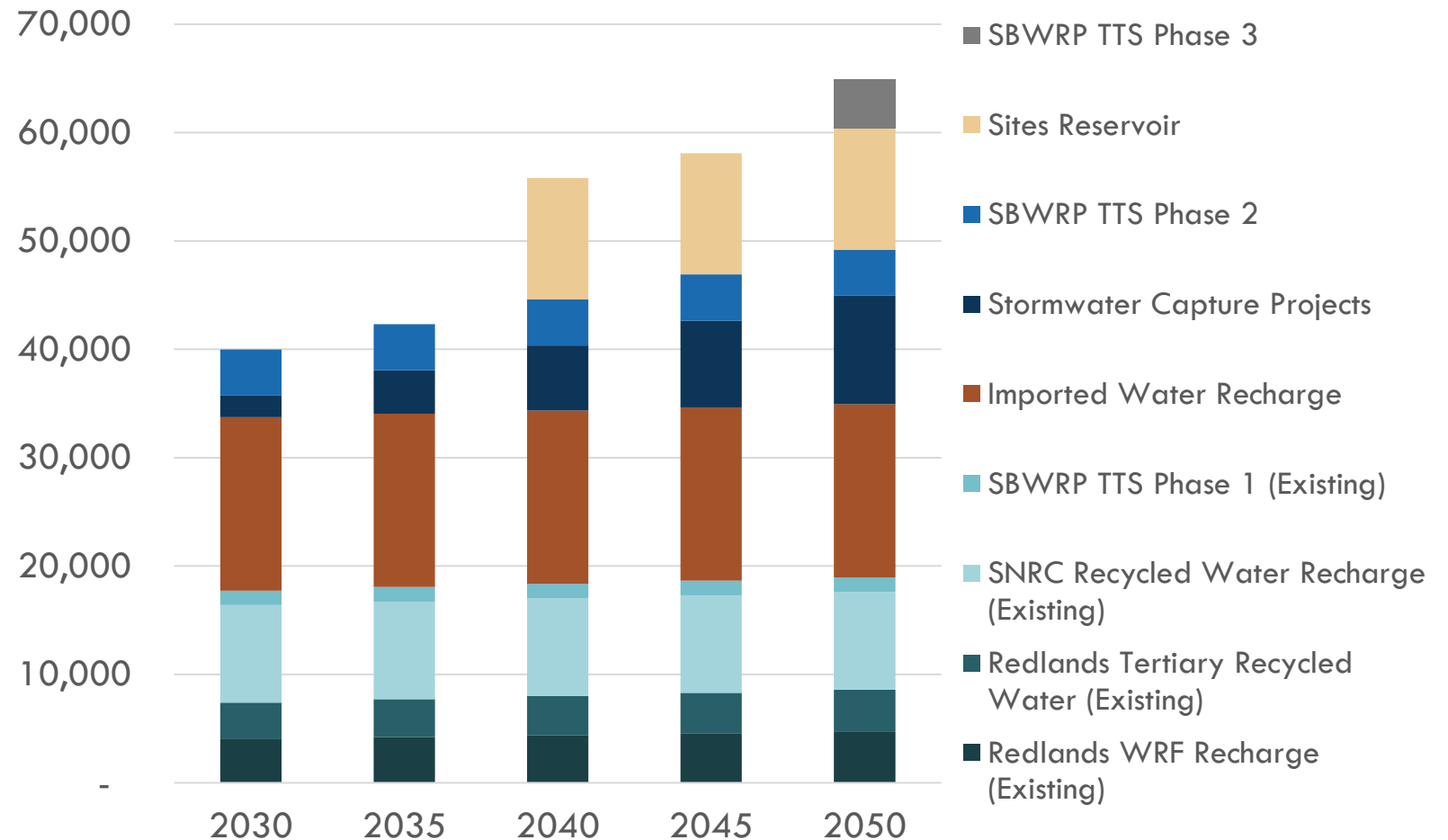
Water Supply Reliability – Dry Years

- Region’s primary water supply strategy is to capture and store water in most years for use in dry years
- Retail agencies and other pumpers in the Region can use groundwater in storage to meet demands; direct deliveries of Table A prioritized
- The 2025 RUWMP shows that the Region has reliable supplies to meet 100% of demands in single dry years and a 5-year drought; Sites is assumed to be operational around 2040



Existing and Proposed Supply Reliability Projects

- While the Region currently has adequate supplies, it must continue to invest in additional water supply projects to enhance long term supply reliability
- Existing
 - Recycled Water Direct Use and Recharge
 - Stormwater Capture
 - Imported Water Direct Use and Recharge
- Planned
 - Recycled Water
 - Stormwater Capture
 - Imported Water (incl. Sites Reservoir new supply)



Summary and Conclusion

- SBVMWD service area has long-term water service reliability under Normal Year, Single Dry Year, and Five consecutive drought years; the reliability depends on additional investment in recharge
- SBVMWD has sufficient near-term supply reliability for a drought period lasting five consecutive years by using groundwater; reliability projects (regional and SWP) are needed to ensure resilience
- SBVMWD's ongoing facilitation of collaborative regional water resources planning is key to meeting the Region's future water supply needs; the 2030-2040 period is when new supplies need to be operational

Discussion and Possible Action Items





Discussion Item 4.1 (pg. 3)

Adekunle Ojo, MPA – Manager Of Integrative Planning

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Public Hearing and Consideration of Resolution Nos. 1202 and 1203 to adopt the 2025 Regional Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan, respectively.

Plan Components

For Adoption by SBVMWD

- Part 1
- Part 2, Chapter 1
- Part 3
- Part 4, Appendix A

Part 1: Regional Context

Executive Summary

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Region Description
- 3 Regional Water Sources and Management
- 4 Regional Water Use
- 5 Comparison of Regional Supplies and Demands

Part 2: Individual Agency UWMPs

- 1 San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
- 2 City of Colton
- 3 City of Loma Linda
- 4 City of Redlands
- 5 City of Rialto
- 6 Riverside Highland Water Company
- 7 San Bernardino Municipal Water Department
- 8 South Mesa Water Company
- 9 West Valley Water District

Part 3: Regional Supporting Information

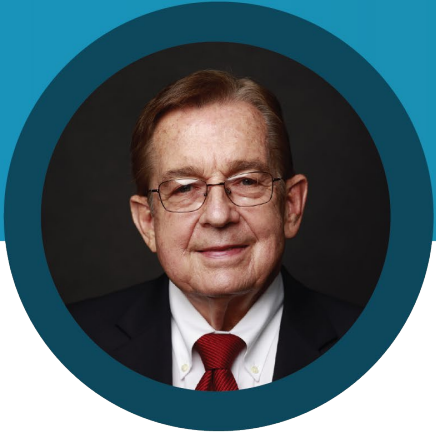
Regional supporting documentation referenced in Part 1, including:

- Agreements

Part 4: Local Agency Supporting Information (incl. WSCP)

- A San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
- B City of Colton
- C City of Loma Linda
- D City of Redlands
- E City of Rialto
- F Riverside Highland Water Company
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Staff Recommendation:

Staff Recommended the Board 1) conduct a public hearing to receive public comments on the Plans, and 2) at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, consider approving Resolution 1202 to adopt the Regional Urban Water Management Plan and Resolution 1203 to adapt the Water Shortage Contingency Plan with Board and public comments/refinements, where appropriate.



Discussion Item 4.2 (pg. 226)

Leo Ferrando, PE, MS – Assistant Chief Engineer

Wen Huang, PE, MS – Chief Operating Officer/ Assistant General Manager

Consider Revised Joint Powers Agreement for Operation and Maintenance of the Southern California Edison – Transferred Hydropower Facilities

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors (Board) consider and approve the proposed revisions to the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) governing the operation and maintenance of the Southern California Edison (SCE)-transferred hydropower facilities discussed in detail below and authorize the CEO/General Manager to execute the Agreement, subject to any minor, technical, or non-substantive revisions deemed necessary or appropriate.



JPA Agreement Background

- 1. Prior Approval** – On December 16, 2025, the Board approved the JPA establishing the Santa Ana Watershed Hydro Authority (SAWHA) for the operation and maintenance of the transferred hydropower facilities.
- 2. SAWHA** – JPA for the O&M of the transferred hydropower facilities through the SAWHA.
- 3. Legally Separate Entity** – The JPA would have a separate bank account and annual budget, and all expenses incurred and revenue generated by the operations of the facilities would be administered through the JPA's financial structure



JPA Agreement Key Elements

- The JPA becomes effective upon written notice from SBV to the other Member Agencies confirming that the SCE Assets have been completely transferred from SCE to SBV.
- Both financial obligations and associated benefits shall be allocated based on the following operating percentages:

72%



12%



10%



6%





JPA Agreement Updates

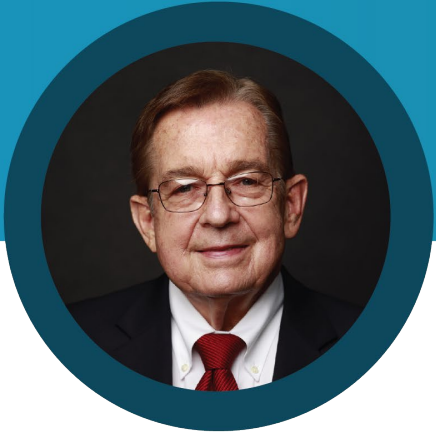
- 1. Future Agreements** – Clarifies that agencies may enter into separate agreements with other outside entities or contractors, as authorized by their respective Boards and deemed necessary to support implementation of the hydropower program. The JPA is also able to enter into agreements with outside entities, as approved by the SAWHA Board.
- 2. Formal Dispute Resolution** – Revises the dispute resolution provisions from binding arbitration to standard arbitration procedures, with the ability to seek court review.
- 3. East End Administration Building** – SBV would acquire the property independently, to be owned and maintained as an asset of SBV, rather than funding the acquisition through the JPA.



JPA Ongoing and Next Steps

- 1. Member Agency Approvals** – All respective Boards have approved the JPA agreement of the JPA member agencies.
- 2. Schedule First JPA Meeting** – Staff is working to reach out to each Member Agency to coordinate and schedule the first SAWHA Board meeting.
- 3. Operations Committee** – Each Member Agency will appoint one non-Board staff representative to the Operations Committee from each Member Agency following the JPA's effective date, and San Bernardino Valley staff will be returning to the Board with that item for consideration in the near future.

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Discussion Item 4.3 (pg. 249)

Leo Ferrando, PE, MS – Assistant Chief Engineer

Wen Huang, PE, MS – Chief Operating Officer/ Assistant General Manager

Consider Special FERC Counsel, Mr. Richard Roos-Collins of Water and Power Law Group PC, for the Hydroelectric Facilities Program

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors (Board) retain Richard Roos-Collins of Water and Power Law Group PC (WPLG) as special Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) counsel to advise the District on regulatory matters associated with the acquisition of the Southern California Edison (SCE) hydroelectric facilities.



Specialized FERC Counsel: Water and Power Law Group, PC

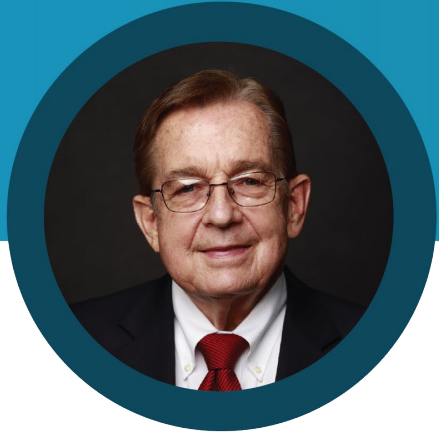
- **FERC hydropower law** - specialized federal practice; outside the scope of general counsel
- **Water and Power Law Group, PC** (WPLG) - Principal: Richard Roos-Collins
- **30+ years FERC practice** - Harvard J.D.; former CA Deputy Attorney General (Natural Resources)
- **Prior SCE project experience** - Mill Creek (P-1390) & Kern Canyon No. 3
- **45+ licensing settlements nationally** - General Counsel for Klamath River dam removal



Engagement Scope & SAWHA Transition

- **Transfer Order Compliance** — Filing of documents to finalize the license transfer and establish SBV as the legally recognized licensee for the acquired hydroelectric facilities.
- **Interim O&M Structure** — SBV must have FERC-compliant operator agreements in place to ensure that qualified personnel are formally designated to operate the facilities in accordance with FERC's requirements for licensed hydroelectric projects.
- **Second License Transfer** — FERC requires a separate license transfer application for each change of licensee identity; the second transfer (SBV to SAWHA) will require a new filing once the JPA is established
- **Exemption Strategy** — Certain smaller facilities may qualify for a FERC exemption from full licensing requirements, and pursuing that designation would significantly reduce ongoing FERC regulatory obligations and compliance costs for those facilities.

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Reports



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State Water Project Report



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Directors' Report of Activities and Travel Requests in Accordance with Resolution 1100



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General Counsel Report



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Ad-Hoc and Standing Committee Reports



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SAWPA Meeting Report



Future Business



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Announcements

- **June 4 | 2 p.m.** – Board of Directors Special Meeting – Policy/Administration by Teleconference or In-Person
- **June 9 | 2 p.m.** – Board of Directors' Special Meeting – Resources/ Engineering Workshop by Teleconference or In-Person
- **June 10 | 1:30 p.m.** – SBVW Conservation District Board Meeting
- **June 15 | 6 p.m.** – ASBCSD Dinner (Location: Centro Basco, 13432 Central Avenue, Chino, CA 91710)
- **June 16 | 9:30 a.m.** – SAWPA Commission Meeting
- **June 16 | 2 p.m.** – Regular Board Meeting by Teleconference or In-Person
- **June 19 | Agency Closed due Federal Holiday**
- **June 25 | 2 p.m.** – Board of Directors' Special Meeting – General Fund Budget Workshop by Teleconference or In-Person



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Adjourn

