



STREAM PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

# MINUTES

THURSDAY, November 4, 2021  
12:00 PM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 ROLL CALL**

A meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Stream Planning and Operations Committee (SPOC) was called to order by Director Barbara Keegan at 12:00 p.m. on November 4, 2021.

Board members in attendance: Director Barbara Keegan-District 2, and Director and Director Tony Estremera-District 6, constituting a quorum of the SPOC. Linda J. LeZotte-District 4 was excused from attending.

Staff members in attendance: Emmanuel Aryee, Aaron Baker, John Bourgeois, Rechelle Blank, Rita Chan, Anthony Fulcher, Bal Ganjoo, Chris Hakes, Ryan Heacock, Bassam Kassab, Michele King, Tony Mercado, Lisa Porcella, Mike Potter, Sue Tippets, Tina Yoke and Sarah Young.

2. **TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT AN AGENDA**

Director Keegan declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one present who requested to speak.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The SPOC considered the draft minutes from the September 9, 2021 meeting. It was moved by Director Estremera, seconded by Director Keegan, and unanimously carried by roll call vote to approve the minutes as presented. Director LeZotte was absent.

4. **INFORMATION AND ACTION ITEMS**

**4.1 Receive Updates on Fish and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE) Progress and Deliverables.**

Staff provided updates on the following FAHCE progress and deliverables as listed below.

Mr. John Bourgeois, Deputy Operating Officer, Ms. Lisa Porcella, Environmental Mitigation and Monitoring Manager, and Ms. Rita Chan, Assistant District Counsel, provided an update on the comments received on the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR), including identifying comment themes. The comments received were lengthy and detailed will take a significant amount of time to provide a thorough review and respond to each comment in accordance with the CEQA review process.

Ms. Porcella provided an update on the FAHCE Plus Pilot Flow project for Guadalupe Creek and Stevens Creek, stating that pulse releases are not scheduled as we're currently outside of the possible pulse release timeframe of December 1 through mid-April.

Ms. Porcella also provided an update on the FAHCE Initialing Parties and Adaptive Management meetings, stating that the next meeting of the Initialing Parties is anticipated to occur this winter following review of the draft EIR; and the next meeting of the Adaptive Management group is also anticipated to occur this winter.

#### **4.2 Receive Update on Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project and Incorporation of FAHCE Conservation Measures for Coyote Creek.**

Mr. Emmanuel Aryee, Assistant Officer, and Mr. Chris Hakes, Deputy Operating Officer, provided an update on this item per the attached Committee Agenda Memorandum.

Mr. Aryee informed SPOC that Valley Water just received approval from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for Phase III of the Anderson Dam Tunnel Project, which will allow us to issue a notice to proceed to the contractor to begin Phase II and Phase III.

#### **4.3 Review, Revise and Approve Stream Planning and Operations Committee (SPOC) Work Plan.**

Ms. Michele King, Clerk of the Board, reviewed the 2021 Work Plan and draft 2022 Work Plan.

Mr. Bourgeois informed SPOC that the Singleton Road Bridge Project was completed, and pictures could be shared.

It was moved by Director Estremera, seconded by Director Keegan and unanimously approved, by roll call vote, to approve the draft 2022 SPOC Work Plan, as presented.

**5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.**  
There were no SPOC requests.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**  
Chair Keegan adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:30 pm. to the January 13, 2022 meeting.



Michele L. King  
Clerk of the Board

Approved: 1/13/22