

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Advisory Committee March 31, 2021
From: Drew McIntyre, TAC Chair
Subject: Approve FY 2021/22 Sonoma County Water Agency Water Transmission System (WTS) Budget
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RECOMMENDED ACTION: WAC approve the FY2021/22 Sonoma Water WTS Budget

Attached is the proposed Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) Water Transmission System (WTS) Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22. Sonoma Water staff previously met with the TAC budget subcommittee during January and February of this year to refine the budget. During this process the proposed rate increase of 6.56% (vs 5.89% the prior year) for the Santa Rosa and Petaluma aqueduct customers was reduced to 3.47% (vs 5.3% the prior year). For the Sonoma Aqueduct customers the proposed rate increase of 4.96% was reduced to 3.43% (vs 5.57% the prior year). At the March 1st TAC meeting, the TAC members received a presentation from Sonoma Water staff on the proposed budget and, at the recommendation of the finance subcommittee, the TAC voted unanimously to recommend approval by the WAC.

The budget is based on estimated water deliveries next year of 46,095 acre feet (AF) which is above the current year budget estimate of 43,707 AF. The total rate is \$1,000.46/AF (vs. \$966.95/AF in FY21) for the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Aqueducts and \$1,145.18/AF (vs. \$1,107.21/AF in FY21) for the Sonoma Aqueduct.

Sonoma Water staff will make a presentation on the budget to the WAC at the April 5 meeting. On an as requested basis, Sonoma Water staff made budget presentations to the Water Contractors during the month of March.

RECOMMENDATION:

WAC approve the FY 2021/22 SCWA Water Transmission System Budget.