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DATE:	March 6, 2023
FROM:	Shannon Cotulla, TAC Budget Subcommittee Chair
TO:	Jennifer Burke, TAC Chair Mike Healy, WAC Chair
SUBJECT:	Sonoma Water Draft Water Transmission System Budget FY 2023/2024

The TAC Ad Hoc Budget Subcommittee meets annually to review Sonoma Water’s Water Transmission System budget. This year the committee is comprised of representatives from Santa Rosa, Cotati, Rohnert Park, Valley of the Moon Water District, Windsor, Marin Municipal Water District, and North Marin Water District.

Our first meeting was held on January 17, 2023, where the committee discussed the process and possible areas of improvement. A second meeting was held on January 30, 2023, where Sonoma Water provided an overview of the proposed FY 2023/24 Water Transmission System budget followed by discussion with the subcommittee members.

A third meeting was held on February 16th, where Sonoma Water provided an overview of changes made to the proposed budget in response to requests from subcommittee members. Sonoma Water had provided answers to subcommittee members’ questions by email in the previous days. Subcommittee members were not prepared to vote on a recommendation to the full TAC regarding the proposed budget be endorsed.

A fourth meeting was scheduled for February 23rd to further discuss options for reducing the proposed rate increases and for Subcommittee members to vote on a recommendation to the full TAC for support of the proposed Sonoma Water Transmission System Budget. The Subcommittee did not have a majority of votes in support of the proposed budget. The results by contractor with a representative present were as follows:

Contractor	Vote
City of Cotati	Yes
North Marin Municipal Water District	Abstain
City of Santa Rosa	No
City of Sonoma	Abstain
Valley of the Moon Water District	Abstain
Town of Windsor	Yes