From:	Frederick Allebach
To:	Montoya, Michelle
Cc:	Brad Sherwood
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] Re: November 2, 2026 WAC TAC Agenda
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Hi Michelle,
I have a public comment for the 11-2-26 WAC TAC meeting, on the conservation tracking slide. I think it would be a good idea to expand the data to show water usage broken down into Sonoma Water wholesale deliveries *and* amount of groundwater pumped and used by all the various retailers and SoCo water districts.

This would be a great place to aggregate delivered water and groundwater usage data to be able to track conservation *on the total amount used*, not just delivered water. Then the public and water managers could see in one slide the status of regional groundwater use, for use in GSA basins and in other areas where groundwater is used as the sole supply and/or to augment Sonoma Water-delivered supply.

For example, if a new Alexander Valley Water District is approved by LAFCO, the public, Sonoma Water, Cloverdale and Healdsburg, could see how much groundwater was being pumped there.

Insofar as municipalities are and are looking to pump more groundwater to address emergency and growth needs, any WAC TAC monitoring of overall water conservation needs to have an eye on groundwater use so as to have the full picture of what total regional water use really is. It makes sense to aggregate this data here in the WAC TAC forum and not make it so interested parties have to dig through all kinds of bureaucracy to get at the groundwater use numbers.

Additionally, this aggregated data would be of use to the three SoCo GSAs and to DWR.

Municipalities could easily supply this data and in short order this WAC TAC conservation tracking slide could be covering all SoCo supply and demand in one place.

An even more detailed slide could show the percent of Sonoma Water wholesaled from Lake Sonoma, Lake Mendocino, and Potter Valley.
very best,
Fred Allebach

"We don't know where we're going but we have to stick together in case somebody gets there."
Ken Kesey

On Thu, Oct 29, 2026 at 12:15 PM Montoya, Michelle <MMontoya@srcity.org> wrote:

> Good afternoon,
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> Attached please find the agenda and corresponding materials for the Monday, November 2, 2026 WAC TAC meeting.
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> There will be hard copies available at the meeting.
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> Thank you!
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