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## Pacheco Reservoir proponents to appear before Water Commission, explain reasons for withdrawal from Water Storage Investment Program

Commission staff will present pathway for use of uncommitted funding

At the October meeting of the <u>California Water Commission</u>, representatives of Santa Clara Valley Water District, the project proponent for the Pacheco Reservoir Expansion, will discuss the reasons behind the project's withdrawal from the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP). Commission staff will also share a proposed pathway through regulatory modifications for using the uncommitted funds made available by the withdrawal of both the Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project and the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project, in addition to funding from the passage of Proposition 4 (2024).

The meeting is open to the public and will also be live streamed online.

## **California Water Commission meeting**

When: 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 15

Where: California Natural Resources Building, First Floor Auditorium

715 P Street, Sacramento, 95814 **Info:** (916) 873-5774, www.cwc.ca.gov

The meeting will be live streamed at www.water-ca.com

To comment remotely, Zoom login information can be found on the public participation guide.

Funded by Proposition 1, also known as the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Act of 2014, and Proposition 4, also known as the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Act of 2024, the Commission administers the WSIP to fund the public benefits associated with water storage projects. The WSIP-eligible public benefits are flood control, ecosystem improvement, water quality improvement, emergency response, and recreation. Each project proponent drives its own project schedule and is responsible for completing the WSIP statutory requirements before seeking a final award decision.

Also on the October meeting agenda, staff will provide an update on outreach and engagement efforts to increase awareness and understanding in the Commission's work; and a briefing on new and pending State legislation relevant to activities of the Department of Water Resources and the Commission.

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The nine-member California Water Commission uses its public forum to explore water management issues from multiple perspectives and to formulate recommendations to advise the director of the

California Department of Water Resources, and as appropriate, the California Natural Resources Agency, the Governor and the California State Legislature on ways to improve water planning and management in response to California's changing hydrology. For more information regarding the California Water Commission visit <a href="mailto:cwc.ca.gov">cwc.ca.gov</a>.