



One Water and Adaptation Committee

By a two-thirds vote, authorize payments of up to \$4.16 million for participation in the SWC for FY 26/27 and \$4.25 million for FY 27/28 to State Water Contractors

Item 8-5

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Authorize payments for participation in the State Water Contractors

Subject

By a two-thirds vote, authorize payments of up to \$4.16 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for fiscal year 2026/27 and up to \$4.25 million for fiscal year 2027/28

Purpose

This action requests authorization to continue funding and participating in the State Water Contractors.

Recommendation and Fiscal Impact

Authorize payments of up to \$4.16 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for FY 2026/27 and up to \$4.25 million for FY 2027/28

Budgeted

State Water Contractors



- Non-profit association of 27 public agencies with State Water Project contracts serving water to:
 - 27 million Californians
 - 750,000 acres of farmland



State Water Contractors Mission

To advocate on behalf of its members for improved supply reliability and water quality based on sensible, science-based policies related to the State Water Project that result in sustainable and cost-effective management of the SWP for California's citizens, economy, and environment.

State Water Contractors Activities of High Value to Metropolitan



Aqueduct Subsidence



Energy Matters



Environmental Matters



Financial Matters

State Water Contractors



SWC Dues are based on five funds:

- Dues Fund
- Bay-Delta Fund
- Delta Conveyance Project Fund
- Municipal Water Quality Investigations
- Energy Fund

Metropolitan's SWC Dues for FY 2026/27 and FY 2027/28

	FY 2026/27	FY 2027/28
Dues Fund	\$2.23M	\$1.92M
Bay-Delta Fund	\$0.90M	\$1.27M
Delta Conveyance Project Fund	\$0.47M	\$0.57M
Municipal Water Quality Investigations	\$0.26M	\$0.26M
Energy Fund	\$0.24M	\$0.24M
	\$4.16 million	\$4.25 million

The board letter has the exact values for each of the funds. Totals might not add up due to rounding.

Summary

- Important association providing effective representation in dealings with DWR, state legislature, courts, and regulators
- Requested payments authorization amounts are:
 - FY 2026/27 – \$4.16 million
 - FY 2027/28 – \$4.25 million
- Administrative code requires Board approval by two-thirds vote

Board Options

Option #1:

By a two-thirds vote, authorize payments of up to \$4.16 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for FY 2026/27 and up to \$4.25 million for FY 2027/28.

Option #2:

Do not authorize the General Manager to make payments to the State Water Contractors for FY 2026/27 and FY 2027/28.

Board
Options

Staff Recommendation

Option #1

