

#### One Water & Stewardship Committee

# Authorize Proposed Modifications to the Reverse-Cyclic Program

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Reverse-Cyclic Program (RCP)

#### Subject

Authorize the General Manager to enter into Reverse-Cyclic Program agreements with participating agencies to defer deliveries of up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2024 and up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2025; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

#### Purpose

Allow member agencies to pre-purchase supplies at the effective full-service rate for deferred delivery in a future year to allow Metropolitan to collect revenue now.

#### Recommendation

Authorize the General Manager to enter into Reverse-Cyclic Program agreements with participating agencies to defer deliveries of up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2024 and up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2025

#### Fiscal and Budget Impact

New revenues from this program will help Metropolitan to achieve the Board's approved directive to generate up to \$60 million in new, one-time, revenues in Fiscal Years 2024/25 and 2025/26 and manage unrestricted cash reserves in accordance with Board approved policies.

## Potential Water Resource Management Actions to Meet New Revenue Target in FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26



Reverse-Cyclic Program



Grants



Direct sales to agencies outside the region



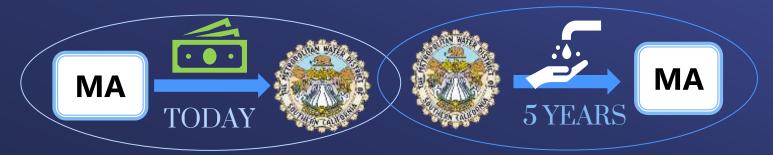
Extraordinary Supply Program



Supplemental Water Management Program

## Reverse Cyclic Program (RCP) Overview

• RCP allows the member agencies to purchase water at the current rate that Metropolitan will deliver within five years.



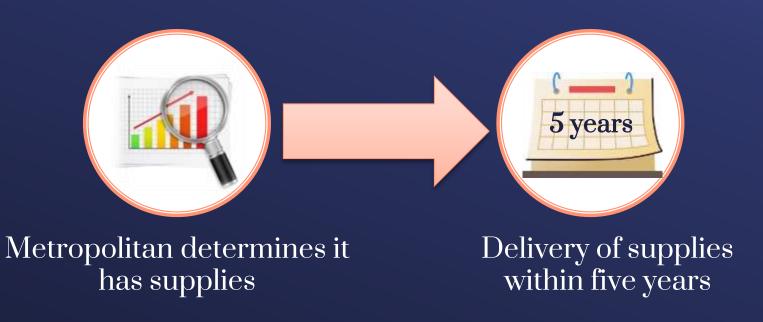
- Opposite to Cyclic Program: the member agencies purchase water at a future effective rate that Metropolitan delivers now
- Helped generate revenue while preserving limited stored supplies
  - Offered in calendar year ("CY") 2022
  - Allowed management of deliveries based on available supplies

## Proposed Modifications to RCP

- Authorization for CY 2024 and CY 2025 only
  - Generates new revenue this biennium
- Authorization of up to 50,000 acre-feet each year
  - Member agencies enter into agreements to make a purchase
  - If interest exceeds water available, staff will return to the Board to request an increase
- Metropolitan may apply losses if member agency does not accept delivery within five years

## How Would the Program Work?





## Proposed General Terms



- At the time of purchase, Metropolitan bills MA:
  - Full-service rate in effect
  - Metropolitan includes purchases in the:
    - Readiness to Serve Charge
    - Revised Base Firm Demand
- Deliveries will be excluded from Capacity Charge calculations since deliveries will be at Metropolitan's discretion
- Purchases to be included as allocated supply under a Metropolitan allocation or shortage program (if/when implemented)
- Metropolitan staff to certify and reconcile deferred deliveries

## Summary

## Modifications to the Reverse Cyclic Program would:

- Increase new revenue this biennium to help meet the \$120M revenue target.
- Allow all member agencies to prepurchase a total of up to 50,000 acre-feet in each CY 2024 and CY 2025 at the effective full-service rate for delivery in a future year.
  - Member agencies benefit by purchasing at current full-service rate

## Reverse Cyclic Program Modifications

### Board Options

#### Option #1

Authorize the General Manager to enter into Reverse-Cyclic Program agreements with participating agencies to defer deliveries of up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2024 and up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2025.

#### • Option #2

Do not authorize the General Manager to enter into Reverse-Cyclic Program agreements with participating agencies to defer deliveries of up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2024 and up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2025.

## Reverse Cyclic Program Modifications

#### Staff Recommendation

Option #1

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