

Comments submitted by Dir. Quinn regarding Item 7-10 of Legal and Claims Committee
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The duties of the One Water (Conservation and Local Resources) Committee will include the duties of the prior Conservation and Local Resources Special Committee. The Committee will have authority over the planning, prioritization, and funding of any current or future regional demand management or supply projects within the Metropolitan service area receiving funding from Metropolitan, such as the Regional Recycling Project and local projects funded through Metropolitan's Local Resources Program. The duties of the Committee will emphasize the comprehensive integration of programs to achieve One Water solutions and include:

- a. Establishing policies and programs regarding water conservation and reuse, watershed management, storm water capture and management, recycling, sustainable groundwater management and protection, underground storage, and use thereof.
- b. Seawater desalination, reclamation and their development and brackish water issues in Metropolitan's service area, and use thereof.
- c. Overseeing development and implementation of Metropolitan's Local Resources and Conservation Programs and other efforts to meet local supply and water use efficiency.
- d. Recommending comprehensive solutions to regional supply problems with the intent to increase water reliability, cost effectiveness and environmental benefit.
- e. Expanding Metropolitan's understanding of regional water supply issues by inviting informational presentations and feedback from external representatives.
- f. Creating opportunities for collaboration to advance development of local supplies and achieving greater water use efficiency.
- g. Reconcile planning processes for IRP, and UWMP implementation, with the means for meeting established goals set by the Underserved Communities Committee. Coordinate and align new water supplies, local resources projects and programs, and investments with other Metropolitan strategic priorities and initiatives.
- f.h. Develop criteria for the prioritization of investments in new water supplies.

The duties of the Water Planning and Stewardship Committee will be modified to:

- a. Transfer its duties relating to the Colorado River and State Water Project to the Imported Water Committee.
- b. Transfer its duties relating to water conservation, recycling and reuse, storage and capture of water within local surface and groundwater facilities, desalination and related matters to the One Water (Conservation and Local Resources) Committee, including the Regional Recycling Project and any future local project that receives funding from Metropolitan.
- c. Retain the duties for Metropolitan's Water Supply Planning, including the Integrated Resources Planning Process and completion of the Urban Water Management Plan and related policies.