

## Update on the North Bay Water Reuse Program

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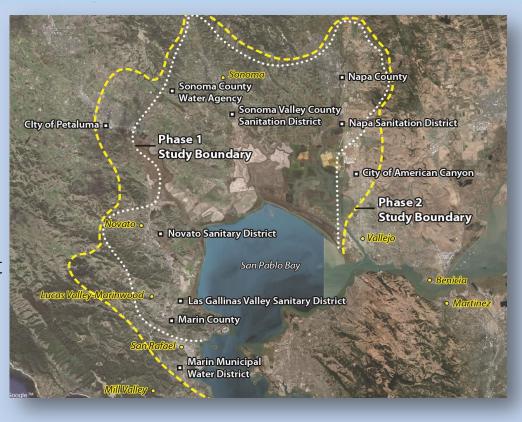
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#### **The North Bay Water Reuse Authority**

- Marin, Sonoma and Napa Counties
- North Marin Water District
- Marin Municipal Water District
- Sonoma County Water Agency
- Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District
- Novato Sanitary District
- Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District
- Napa Sanitation District
- City of Petaluma
- American Canyon





#### **Our Approach: Economies of Scale**

- Regional Program comprised of member agencies projects
- Conduct studies from a watershed perspective detailing both project specific and programmatic benefits
- Agencies share costs for planning, engineering and environmental studies they could not afford to conduct on their own





### Our Approach: Economies of Scale con't.

- Agencies share costs for Program Development, Federal and State Advocates and have access to expertise often beyond the reach of small districts
- Members share Program costs but implement their own projects and in turn, incrementally contribute toward regional supply reliability



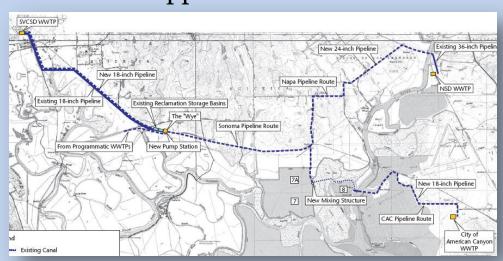






### **Our Approach: Multiple Benefits**

- ◆ The Program develops recycled water to off-set potable demands and meet diverse needs of the region; urban, agricultural and environmental
- ◆ Through thoughtful design we often serve several of these users in one project; we call this the multi-benefit approach
- This approach is consistent with and supported by the Federal and State agencies we partner with for project implementation





#### **Program Partners and Funding to Date**

- ♦ The Members Agencies have invested \$71 million in their projects
- ♦ The US Bureau of Reclamation has been a key partner:
  - Provided 50% cost-share for Phase 1 studies totaling \$3 million
  - Provided \$25 million for Phase 1 construction
- State of California Department of Water Resources:
  - Provided \$8 million for projects in State Proposition's 50 and 84 grants (water bonds)



### Planning for Phase 2

- Phase 2 takes a broader, One-Water approach
- ▲ Identified an additional 25,000 AFY of recycled water that can be captured, stored and put to use
- Planning studies are underway that have identified multiple projects valued at \$150 million:
  - Treatment upgrades
  - Storage and conveyance
  - Surface and groundwater management
  - High-water flow capture and management
  - Protection from sea-level rise and habitat restoration





#### **Projects Have Diversified**

#### Phase 1

- Treatment
- Pumping
- Distribution
- Operation Storage
- Environmental Enhancement

#### Phase 2

- **♦** Treatment
- Pumping
- Distribution
- Operation Storage
- Environmental Enhancement
- Large Seasonal Storage
- Groundwater Management





### Phase 2 Implementation





#### Re-ACT: Tools to Fund Project Implementation

- Proposed legislation in S. 1894
  - The RIFIA Loan Program
  - Transfer of Title Authority
  - New Grants for Small-scale Storage, Integrated Water
  - Leveraging Grants and Loans
  - Deauthorization and How to Fund the Tools



#### **Getting the RE-Act Word Out**

- Watch and convey varying opinions regarding evolving legislative language on Senate and House bills
- Cultivating support through Website, Facebook and Twitter updates
- Routinely updating an Email broadcast list of over 400 interested parties

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#### An Initiative Organized by Water Managers throughout the West

A strong advocacy program in support of new federal funding assistance for water management projects across the West. We are continually updating our work in these areas and invite you to click on the items below to learn more about our efforts.

#### Mission Statement

To establish viable funding partnerships with the federal government to help us develop and manage water resources in response to the impacts of changing climate, population growth and aging infrastructure that threaten our long-term water supplies throughout the Western United States.

#### New Tools in RE-Act Could Help Fund Your Water Projects

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- Leveraging Grants and Loans
- . Deauthorization and How to Fund the Tools







#### WHAT'S NEW

Guaranteed and Secured Loans

See how much your project could save with the RE-Act Loan Calculator





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NORTH BAY WATER REUSE PROGRAM Water Supply Reliability through Regional Reuse



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approach to storage..." "expanded reuse..." and "habitat restoration..."

Deputy Secretary Connor says "the federal role in financing water storage... must be revisited.... energy.senate.gov/public/index.c ...



#### Why We Need Western Water Priorities

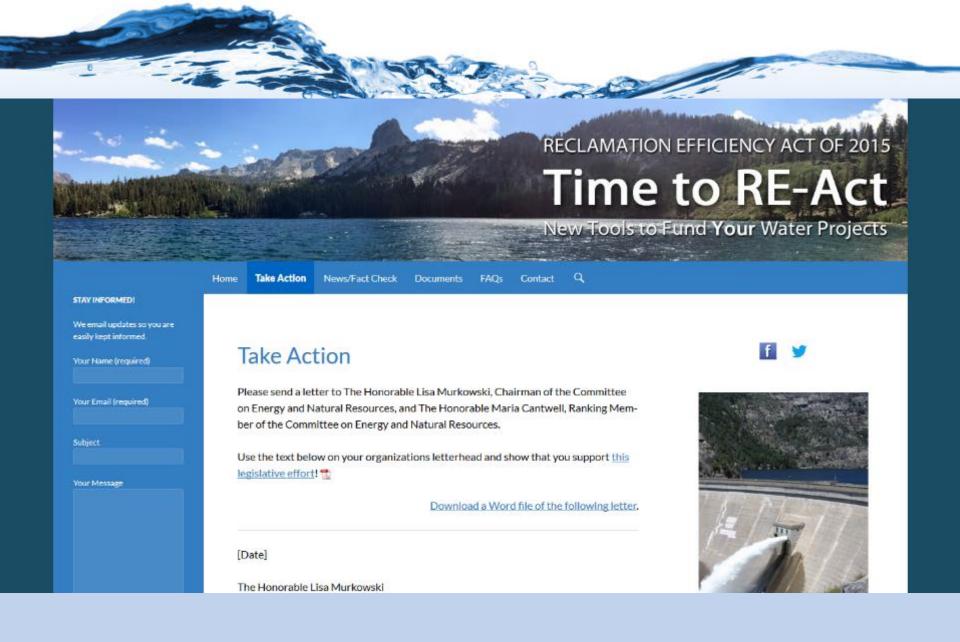
Across the West, water managers are doing their best to meet water supply demands from competing urban, agricultural and environmental interests. However, it has become increasingly difficult to meet any of these demands with outdated and aging infrastructure designed for end-users and population levels surpassed over 25 years ago. This situation has become dire in many regions, is underscored by devastating drought, and compounded by unknown effects of climate change on water supply reliability. Clearly the time is now for new flexible funding tools that recognize regional needs, support adaptive next-generation projects and the innovative solutions we need to develop and secure a reliable water supply for our future.

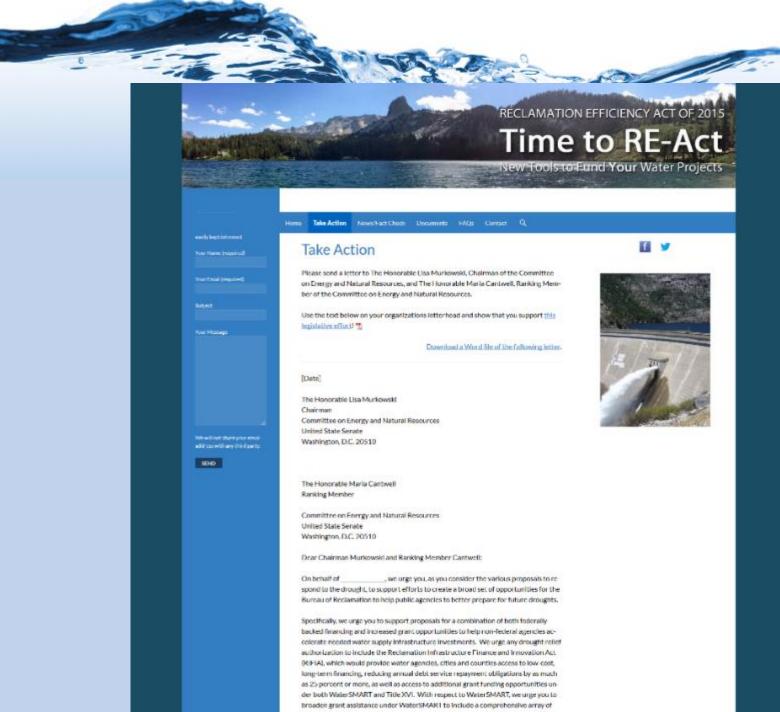
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#### What is Next: Study Sessions Beyond Phase 2

This series of study sessions will look at:

- What future activities should be pursued?
- Who should be involved?
- How will the organization be funded?
- What projects will be relevant/vital?
- What funding opportunities are possible to achieve?



### Questions?

