



Supplement to December 16, 2024 MPWMD Board Packet

Attached are copies of letters sent and/or received between **November 14, 2024** and **December 11, 2024**. These letters are listed in the Monday, December 16, 2024 Board Packet under Letters Received.

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
Yessica Ramirez	Dave Stoldt	11/25/2024	December 6, 2025, State Lands Commission Outreach and Engagement Meeting regarding California American Water
Melodie Chrislock	MPWMD Board	11/25/2024	State Lands Commission Outreach and Engagement Meeting

From: Ramirez, Yessica@SLC <Yessica.Ramirez@slc.ca.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2024 8:55 AM
To: Ramirez, Yessica@SLC <Yessica.Ramirez@slc.ca.gov>
Cc: Simpkin, Drew@SLC <Drew.Simpkin@slc.ca.gov>; Day, Christine@SLC <Christine.Day@slc.ca.gov>; Calvo, Lucinda@SLC <Lucinda.Calvo@slc.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: December 6, 2024 - State Lands Commission Outreach and Engagement Meeting regarding California American Water
Importance: High

Good morning,

The California State Lands Commission (Commission) is hosting a community outreach and engagement meeting at the **Marina City Council Chambers on Friday, December 6, 2025**. This meeting is an opportunity for community members to comment on the potential impacts, burdens, or benefits resulting from the potential lease to California American Water (Cal-Am). This outreach is part of the environmental justice analysis Commission staff is doing. Due to the various interest groups, we have two separate meeting options. The meeting details are below.

- **Date:** Friday, December 6, 2025
- **Time:** 11 am – 1 pm – Environmental impacts and general comments
3 pm – 6 pm – Environmental justice impacts
- **Location:** Marina City Council Chambers (211 Hillcrest Ave, Marina, CA 93933)

Application Information:

The Commission is processing an application from California-American Water Company (Cal-Am) for a General Lease – Industrial Use, near Marina, Monterey County. The proposed lease would allow Cal-Am to construct four new subsurface slant wells and convert an existing test slant well into a fifth subsurface slant well. This is part of Cal-Am's first phase, a 4.8-million-gallon-per-day, ocean desalination project, known as the Monterey Peninsula Supply Project ("MPWSP"). The Commission first issued Cal-Am General Lease – Right-of-Way Use to construct and operate a temporary exploratory test slant well on December 17, 2014.

Project Description:

Cal-Am is proposing to construct and operate desalination components of its overall MPWSP that would consist of a desalination facility, a well field, water transmission pipelines, pump station, and other related infrastructure (the "Project"). The proposed Project would provide potable water for customers in Cal-Am's service area in the Monterey Peninsula region, which has experienced decades of water shortages resulting from drought, over-pumping of groundwater sources, seawater intrusion, proposed supply projects not being completed, and other causes.

Cal-Am is proposing phased construction of the Project. It seeks authorization to construct a smaller initial phase of the Project that would produce 4.8 million gallons per day ("mgd") per year. Per conditions issued by the Coastal Commission, construction of the full sale of the

Project at 6.4 mgd per year would occur in a second phase only if Cal-Am can demonstrate a need for the additional water supply and demonstrate that the first phase has been operating in a manner that is protective of local groundwater supplies and nearby wetlands. At the Project's maximum build-out, it would include up to six new slant wells to be located within a Cal-Am easement in part of the CEMEX sand mining facility near the Monterey Bay shoreline in the City of Marina. The Project would also include the conversion of a test slant well to a permanent well on the same site, as well as four main pipelines. The desalination facility itself would be constructed inland and would discharge processed saline brine to an existing outfall operated by the regional wastewater treatment agency, Monterey One Water ("M1W"). This outfall line would need to be modified to discharge the brine and would also require additional Commission authorization.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me should you have any questions or concerns.

With gratitude,
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Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.



FW: December 6, 2024 - State Lands Commission Outreach and Engagement Meeting regarding California American Water

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Date Mon 11/25/2024 9:48 AM

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