



AGENDA
Water Supply Planning Committee

Monday, May 4, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. | *Virtual Meeting*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	STAFF	<u>Mission Statement</u>
Karen Paull – Chair Alvin Edwards Rebecca Lindor Marianne Gawain - Alternate	David J. Stoldt, General Manager Mike McCullough, Assistant General Manager Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager	Sustainably manage and augment the water resources of the Monterey Peninsula to meet the needs of its residents and businesses while protecting, restoring, and enhancing its natural and human environments. <u>Vision Statement</u> Model ethical, responsible, and responsive governance in pursuit of our mission. <u>Board's Goals and Objectives</u> Are available online at https://www.mpwmd.net/who-we-are/mission-vision-goals/

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Call to Order / Roll Call

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Action Items – *Public comment will be received. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes per item.*

1. Consider Adoption of Committee Meeting Minutes from March 2, 2026
2. Receive and Confirm Water Supply Forecast for Period of May 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027 and Consider Adopting Draft Resolution No. 2026-03 to Amend Rationing Table XV-5

Discussion Items – *Public comment will be received. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes per item.*

3. Status Report on Modification of Cease and Desist Order

4. Update on Cal-Am Desalination Project Coastal Commission Conditions
5. Update on Federal Funding Request for Seaside Basin Monitoring Well Program

Suggest Items to be Placed on Future Agendas

Adjournment

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WATER SUPPLY PLANNING COMMITTEE

ITEM: ACTION ITEM

1. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 2, 2026

Meeting Date: May 4, 2026

From: David J. Stoldt
General Manager

Prepared By: Sara Reyes

SUMMARY: Attached as **Exhibit 1-A** are the draft minutes from the Water Supply Planning Committee meeting held on March 2, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Water Supply Planning Committee review and adopt the minutes by motion.

EXHIBIT

1-A Draft Minutes of March 2, 2026 Water Supply Planning Committee Meeting

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EXHIBIT 1-A

Draft Minutes Water Supply Planning Committee Meeting Monday, March 2, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Meeting Location: Zoom

Call to Order / Roll Call

Director Lindor called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and served as Chair.

Committee Members Present

Rebecca Lindor, Chair
Alvin Edwards
Marianne Gawain, Alternate (arrived at 2:03 p.m.)

Committee Members Absent

Karen Paull

District Staff Members Present

David Stoldt, General Manager
Mike McCullough, Assistant General Manager
Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager
Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer
Sara Reyes, Board Clerk

District Staff Members Absent

None

District Counsel Present

Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo
Fran Farina

Additions and Corrections to the Agenda

None

Comments from the Public

Chair Lindor opened the public comment period; however, no members of the public were present.

Action Items

Chair Lindor introduced this item.

1. Consider Adoption of Committee Meeting Minutes from September 2, 2025

On a motion by Edwards and seconded by Lindor, the minutes of the September 2, 2025, committee meeting were approved on a roll call vote of 2 Ayes (Edwards and Lindor) 1 Absent (Gawain) and 0 Noes.

2. Adopt 2026 Meeting Schedule

On a motion by Edwards and seconded by Lindor, the 2026 Water Supply Planning Committee meeting schedule was adopted on a roll call vote of 2 Ayes (Lindor and Edwards), 0 Noes, and 1 Absent (Gawain).

3. Consider Partnering with the Seaside Watermaster to Install a New Seawater Intrusion Monitoring Well on the Fort Ord Dunes State Park

Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager, provided an overview of monitoring activities associated with the Seaside Watermaster's coastal Sentinel Wells. He reported that recent monitoring data from Sentinel Well No. 4 indicate possible increased conductivity in the 150- to 200-foot depth range.

On a motion by Lindor and seconded by Edwards, the committee voted to recommend that the Board write a letter to State Parks seeking permission to install a monitoring well near Sentinel Well No. 4 and to partner with the Seaside Watermaster to cost-share this work.

Discussion Items

Chair Lindor introduced this item.

4. Discuss MPWMD's Urban Water Management Plan

Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer provided an overview of the Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), a long-term planning document required by State law for qualifying water suppliers and updated every five years. She noted that the current UWMP is due to the Department of Water Resources by July 1, 2026.

Ms. Hamilton explained the District's applicability as a wholesaler and summarized the required plan components, including long-term supply and demand analyses, water shortage and drought risk assessments, demand management measures, and a Water Shortage Contingency Plan. She reported that these elements build upon existing District planning, monitoring, and conservation activities.

5. Discuss Federal Earmark Request for Seaside Basin Monitoring Wells

General Manager David Stoldt reported that the District is preparing a request for federal community project funding to support repair and replacement of aging Seaside Basin monitoring wells. He explained that the proposed project would replace at least two wells, with the potential for additional upgrades if funded, and noted that appropriated funds would be available in fiscal year 2027.

6. Discuss Proposed Revisions to District Rules 160 – 167

General Manager David Stoldt stated that the proposed rule revisions relate to the Urban Water Management Plan and the Water Shortage Contingency Plan. He explained that staff is proposing to revise drought response triggers to reflect the District's expanded water supply portfolio and to base those triggers on overall supply availability rather than groundwater storage alone.

Suggest Items to Be Placed on a Future Agenda

Director Edwards suggested adding a discussion item regarding potential future water supply source could be.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Lindor adjourned the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

/s/ Sara Reyes

Sara Reyes, Board Clerk to the
MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee

Approved by the MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee on _____.

Received by the MPWMD Board of Director's on _____.

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WATER SUPPLY PLANNING COMMITTEE

ITEM: ACTION ITEM

2. RECEIVE AND CONFIRM WATER SUPPLY FORECAST FOR PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2026 -- SEPTEMBER 30, 2027 AND CONSIDER ADOPTING DRAFT RESOLUTION 2025-03 TO AMEND WATER SUPPLY TARGET TABLE XV-5

Meeting Date: May 4, 2026 **Budgeted:** N/A

From: David J. Stoldt **Program/** N/A
General Manager **Line Item No.:**

Prepared By: David J. Stoldt **Cost Estimate:** N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: Notice of Exemption, CEQA, Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1) ESA
Compliance: Consistent with the September 2001 and February 2009 Conservation Agreements between the National Marine Fisheries Service and California American Water to minimize take of listed steelhead in the Carmel River and Consistent with SWRCB WR Order Nos. 95-10, 98-04, 2002-0002, and 2016-0016.

SUMMARY: Regulation XV of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) Rules and Regulations was changed to a new approach in the adoption of amendments to Rule 160 in Ordinance 201 at the April 2026 Board meeting. The revised regulation requires that a water supply summary forecast report be compiled annually to analyze the status of water supply and demand within the District. This is reflected in **Exhibit 2-A** and **Exhibit 2-B**. This report quantifies available water supply conditions within the District as of May 1, 2026, and forecasts the amount of water that will be available for use during the upcoming water year. The supplies included are those to meet Cal-Am demand on the Peninsula. As Cal-Am incorporates new water projects to comply with the Cease and Desist order, the company will rely less on water from the Carmel River to meet customer demand and more on the water produced from water projects. Regulation XV tests the drought resilience of the available supplies to supply the legal component of water to Cal-Am users on the Peninsula for the next 17 months.

Previously, the District evaluated physical storage available in the Monterey Peninsula Water Resource System to determine potential need for rationing triggers. For example, last year as of May 1, 2025, usable water storage within MPWRS totaled 29,650 acre-feet (AF) or 89% of maximum storage capacity. A breakdown of total storage by reservoir and aquifer was shown. As shown, usable reservoir storage totals 1,670 AF and usable aquifer storage totals 27,980 AF. For the Seaside Groundwater Basin, the annual Natural Safe Yield is 3,000 Acre Feet and 1,540 Acre Feet remained for WY 2025. In addition, a summary of other water-supply related conditions within the MPWRS – rainfall and runoff recorded at San Clemente Dam and California American Water (Cal-Am) monthly diversions from the Carmel River and Seaside Groundwater Basins relative to limits set by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and Court – were analyzed. Then the amount of carryover storage that was needed to meet the projected water needs

within the District for the remainder of Water Year (WY) 2025 and all of WY 2026 was shown in the previously used Table XV-4, included here as **Exhibit 2-C**. This methodology is being replaced by the new Water Supply Target Table XV-5.

Community Water Demand: For WY 2026, as of May 1, 2026, Cal-Am had produced 4,152 AF of water from its sources. This amount of production leaves 5,095 AF for the remainder of the Water Year based on the 5-year average annual production target that the District forecasts as “current” demand. For WY 2026-27 demand is based on the District’s 2025 Urban Water Management Plan for one year out.

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee should recommend the Board should receive the water supply forecast for May 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027 and adopt Resolution No. 2026-03 to amend the Water Supply Target Table (XV-5).

EXHIBITS

2-A MPWMD Water Supply Status -- May 1, 2026

2-B Derivation of Water Supply Targets for the Remainder of 2026 Water Year and all of 2027 Water Year

2-C Previously Utilized Table XV-4

2-D Draft Resolution No. 2026-03

EXHIBIT 2-A

MPWMD Water Supply Status – May 1, 2026 (DRAFT as of April 1, 2026)

Supply Available May-September (DRAFT as of 3/31/26)	Supply Available Next Year	Total Supply Available on May 1	Source of Supply
2,448	3,376	5,824	Carmel River
1,185	1,466	2,651	Seaside Basin
1,686	4,536	6,222	Pure Water Monterey
143	200	343	Sand City Desal
42	86	128	Malpaso
9	22	31	Other Seaside Basin
5,308	0	5,308	ASR Stored
2,553	0	2,553	PWM Reserves Stored
<u>222</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>222</u>	<u>Cal-Am PWM Reserves</u>
13,596	9,686	23,282	TOTAL

EXHIBIT 2-B

**Table XV-5
Physical Supply Target
for the Cal-Am Main System
for the May-September 2025 and all WY 2026**

May-September Demand Remaining	Supply Needs for Next Year Customer Demand	Total Supply Required on May 1
5,095	9,301	14,396
Supply Available May-September	Supply Available Next Year	Total Supply Available on May 1
13,596	9,686	23,282
Surplus/(Deficit) as of May 1:		8,886

1. The May-September period refers to the remainder of the current Water Year.
2. Supply needs for the following Water Year equals the customer demand in the most recent District adopted Water Supply and Demand Forecast, as amended.
3. Total Supply refers to the combination of unused supplies remaining from May 1 to the end of the current Water Year and supply available for the next Water Year. The value in **bold type** represents the supply trigger that would be used for the system in the next Water Year. The value is based on the production limits for California American Water (Cal-Am) from Carmel River sources (3,376 Acre-Feet) set by State Water Resources Control Board Order WR 2016-0016, the production limit for Cal-Am from the Seaside Groundwater Basin (1,466 Acre-Feet) set by the Court in its March 27, 2006 Adjudication Decision, as adjusted, the available supplies from the Pure Water Monterey project, the Sand City desalination project, entitlement water from Malpasco Water Co LLC, and transfers from small water producers in the Seaside Basin, plus available stored water.

Table XV-5 added by Resolution 2014-07 (5/19/2014); amended by Resolution 2014-15 (9/15/2014); Resolution 2015-08 (5/18/2015); Ordinance No. 169 (2/17/2016); Resolution 2016-09 (5/16/2016); Resolution 2017-08 (5/15/2017); Resolution 2018-09 (5/21/2018); Resolution 2019-04 (5/20/2019); Resolution 2020-05 (5/18/2020); Resolution 2021-04 (5/17/2021); Ordinance 201 (3/16/2026);

EXHIBIT 2-C

**Table XV-4
Physical Storage Target
for the Monterey Peninsula Water Resource System
for the May-September 2020 and all WY 2022**

Producer	May-September Demand	Carryover Storage Needs for Next Year Demand From MPWRS	Total Storage Required on May 1
California American Water (Cal-Am)	3,688	4,850	8,538
<u>Non Cal-Am</u>	<u>1,946</u>	<u>3,046</u>	<u>4,992</u>
Total	5,634	7,896	13,530
			Total Storage Available on May 1
			28,380⁵

Notes:

1. The May-September period refers to the remainder of the current Water Year.
2. Carryover Storage refers to the volume of usable surface and Groundwater that is in storage at the end of the current Water Year and is projected to be available for use at the beginning of the following Water Year.
3. Total Storage refers to the combination of demand remaining from May 1 to the end of the current Water Year and Carryover Storage for the next Water Year that is required to avoid imposing various levels of water Rationing. The value in **bold type** represents the storage trigger that would be used for the system in Water Year 2021. The value is based on the production limits for California American Water (Cal-Am) from Carmel River sources (7,310 Acre-Feet in WY 2021 and 3,376 Acre-Feet WY 2022) set by State Water Resources Control Board Order WR 2016-0016, the production limit for Cal-Am from the Seaside Groundwater Basin (1,474 Acre-Feet in WY 2021 and 1,474 Acre-Feet in WY 2022) set by the Court in its March 27, 2006 Adjudication Decision, and the production limit specified for non-Cal-Am users from the Monterey Peninsula Water Resource System set in the District's Water Allocation Program (Ordinance No. 87).
4. The rationing trigger is based on physical water availability and does not account for legal or environmental constraints on diversions from the Carmel River system.
5. May 1, 2019 System Storage = 28,380 Acre-Feet (25,340 Acre-Feet Carmel Valley Alluvial Aquifer; 1,390 Acre-Feet Seaside Groundwater Basin; 1,650 Acre-Feet Los Padres Reservoir); this is 90% of average and 86% of System Capacity (33,130 AF).
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EXHIBIT 2-D

**DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MODIFYING RULE 160 – PHYSICAL SUPPLY TARGET FOR REMAINDER WATER
YEAR 2025 AND ALL OF WATER YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) has developed a set of rules to facilitate compliance by California American Water systems with the regulatory and legal water production limits set by the State Water Resources Control Board and the Seaside Basin Adjudication as administered by the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster;

WHEREAS, District Rule 160 specifies the regulatory water supply targets that are used to trigger higher stages of water conservation to ensure compliance with legal and regulatory water production limits;

WHEREAS, these limits are subject to change by action of the State Water Resources Control Board and Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster;

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted Order WR 2016-0016, which requires California American Water to divert from the Carmel River no more than 3,376 acre-feet in Water Year 2026, and no more than 3,376 acre-feet in Water Year 2027;

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Superior Court adopted an Amended Decision in the Seaside Groundwater Basin Adjudication on February 9, 2007 (*California American Water v. City of Seaside, et al.*, Case No. M66343), which as modified by the Watermaster requires California American Water to divert no more than 1,466 acre-feet of its native allocation from the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Groundwater Basin in Water Year 2026, and no more than 1,466 acre-feet from the Coastal Subareas of the Seaside Groundwater Basin in Water Year 2027; and

WHEREAS, Regulation X of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) Rules and Regulations requires that a water supply summary forecast report be compiled annually to analyze the status of water supply and demand within the District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Specifically, District staff shall add Table XV-5 (**EXHIBIT 2-B**) to District Rule 160.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 18th day of May, 2026 on a motion by Director _____,
and second by Director _____, by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT:

I, David J. Stoldt, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a resolution duly adopted on the ____th day of ____ 2026.

Dated: _____

David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board

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