

# Update on Water Supply Allocation Plan Three-Year Review Process

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# Overview

- Background
- Three-Year Review Process
- Potential recommendations
- Next steps

# Background

- The WSAP was adopted by the Board on February 12, 2008
- Staff was directed to review the WSAP
  - 12 months following implementation
  - 3 years following adoption
- Three-Year Review Process began in February 2011
  - Nine workgroup meetings to date

# Key Principles are Still Supported



# Issues identified for Discussion

- Local Resources
- Base Period Selection
- Baseline Inflation
- Growth Adjustment Methodology
- WSAP Exit Strategy
- Conservation Hardening Credit
- Sharing allocation between agencies
- Tier 1-2 timing
- Replenishment issues

# Baseline Inflation

- Baseline inflation occurs when formula elements create a “wet” water demand that is not real
- This distorts agencies’ true need for water, and potentially leads to more frequent and deeper allocations.
- This is occurring with handling of non-potable recycled water and with conservation savings

# Growth Adjustment

- Current growth adjustment increases retail demand by population growth percentage
- This provides a different implied “per capita” adjustment for each agency, with higher water-using agencies getting higher growth adjustments
- Proposed adjustment based on MWD IRP Water Use Efficiency Goals (141 GPCD in 2020)

# WSAP Exit Strategy

- Solidifies a policy for exiting a WSAP implementation prior to the end of the Allocation Year.
- Proposed Approach:
  - If April Decision is to have a WSAP for the next year, then the current WSAP stays in effect through June 30
  - If April Decision is to NOT have a WSAP for the next year, then the current WSAP is terminated immediately



# Next Steps

- Additional workgroup meetings
  - Continue to resolve outstanding issues
- Recommendations for Board consideration in September

