



MONTHLY REPORT

FUNDING

The FY22 Continuing Resolution that went into effect September 30th included \$50 million in Federal funding for the Project. This is in addition to the \$14 million that was appropriated in FY21. Future Federal funding requests include the remainder of the maximum federal share of 25 percent of the total project cost (approximately \$160 million).

CCWD is working with Reclamation to develop an assistance agreement for a portion of the federal funding that will be administered by CCWD for preconstruction activities. It is anticipated that the agreement will include approximately \$7 million of federal funding for the Project. Subsequent agreements would be needed to fund construction.

All of the Local Agency Partners (LAPs) have now approved Amendment No. 3 to the Multi-party Cost Share Agreement and are in the process executing the amendment. The MPA is intended to be replaced with an Interim Funding Agreement through the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority (JPA) once the JPA has been formed and is ready to assume LVE financial management responsibilities.

The following chart provides an overview of the MPA expenditures through September 30, 2021. The in-kind services, funds received, outstanding receivable, and cash on hand are shown through October 17, 2021. All LAPs remain in good standing on progress payments. The next invoice will be sent to the LAPs in January 2022.

OCTOBER 29, 2021

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

November 10 at 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. –
First JPA Board Meeting via Zoom

November 22 – Cost allocation
workshop with LAP staff

November 30 – December 2 –
ACWA Fall conference,
Pasadena/virtual

December TBD – LVE General
Managers Meeting

UPCOMING LAP BOARD COORDINATION

October 29 – Valley Water Storage
Committee

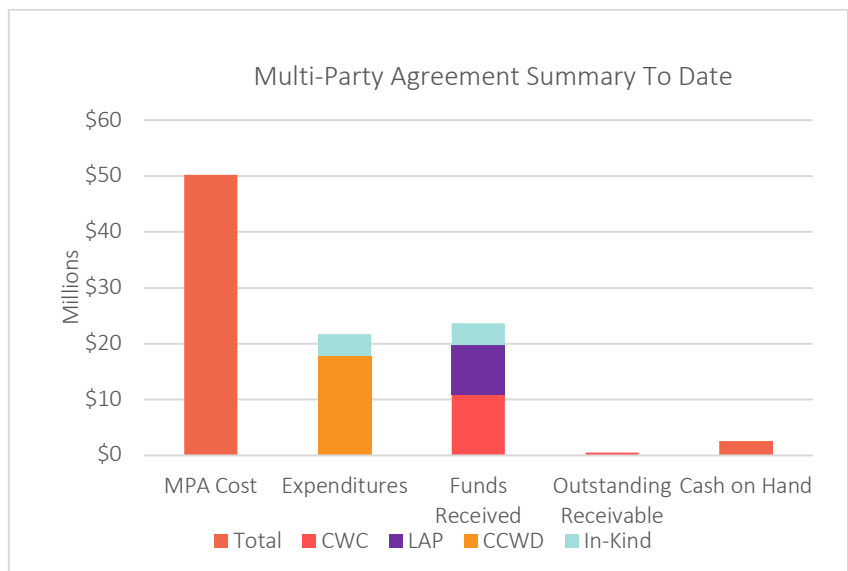
ADDITIONAL PROJECT INFO

<https://www.ccwater.com/lvstudies>

<https://www.usbr.gov/mp/vaqueros/>

<https://cwc.ca.gov/Water-Storage/WSIP-Project-Review-Portal/All-Projects/Los-Vaqueros-Reservoir-Expansion-Project>

www.losvaquerosjpa.com



JPA FORMATION

The JPA Agreement was filed with the State and a joint press release was issued October 7th. The first JPA Board has been scheduled November 10th. At the first meeting, Directors will be sworn in and the Chair and Vice Chair will be elected. The JPA Board will consider appointment of the Interim General Counsel, Interim Administrator, and Interim Clerk. It is proposed that Jim Ciampa will serve as Interim General Counsel, CCWD (Marguerite Patil) will serve as Interim Administrator, and Rose Perea will serve as Interim Clerk to the JPA. The agenda and supporting information for the first JPA Board meeting will be posted to the JPA website by November 5th: www.losvaquerosjpa.com.

CWC FEASIBILITY HEARING

All seven storage projects that received a conditional eligibility award from the California Water Commission (CWC) must meet three criteria prior to January 1, 2022 to remain eligible for funding: 1) draft environmental documents must be complete, 2) the CWC must make a finding that the project is feasible, and will advance the long-term objectives of restoring ecological health and improving water management for beneficial uses of the Delta, and 3) the Director of the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) must receive a letter demonstrating support for not less than 75 percent of the non-public benefit cost share of the project (joint letter of support). The joint letter of support was submitted to DWR and CWC on October 7. The CWC Feasibility Hearing was held on October 20 and the CWC made a unanimous finding that the project is feasible, and as a result remains eligible for \$470 million in Proposition 1 funding.

PERMITTING

Additional information is being provided to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) related to the terrestrial Biological Assessment (BA) to support the permit application. A USFWS Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act 'take' permit application has been submitted. A Historic Properties Treatment Plan and Memorandum of Agreement, to support Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act consultation, are being developed. Additional information is being provided to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to support the Incidental Take Permit application for terrestrial species. Reclamation and CDFW are reviewing the Compensatory Mitigation Plan to support the federal and state Endangered Species Act permitting processes. The CDFW Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement package has been submitted. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) continue review of their respective permit packages. A Delta Plan Consistency Package is being prepared and will likely be submitted to the Delta Stewardship Council in the November/December timeframe.

DESIGN

The fourth Los Vaqueros Dam Expansion Technical Review Board (TRB) meeting occurred in October, which included representatives from the DWR Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD). The TRB concluded that it “believes the design team is developing a robust design and is adequately addressing all technical issues appropriately.” A fifth TRB meeting will be scheduled prior to the Spring 2022 submittal of the final design to DSOD for approval.

The 30 percent design of the Transfer-Bethany Pipeline Turn-in to the California Aqueduct was submitted to DWR for review. Evaluation of alternative alignments through sensitive areas and coordination with interested parties is ongoing.

Design of Pumping Plant No. 1 Replacement is progressing, with completion of the 10 percent design, and 30 percent design anticipated in January 2022. Inspections of the Transfer Pipeline are anticipated in Fall 2022. An assessment of options to meet CCWD’s water supply and quality objectives during construction of the dam when reservoir releases are not available is ongoing.