

**CUPERTINO SANITARY DISTRICT
SANITARY BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2020**

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In accordance with Executive Order N-33-20, meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference [call 1 (866) 899 - 4679 Conference Access Code: 251566821] and anyone interested may also call in. The District Office at 20863 Stevens Creek Blvd, Suite 100, Cupertino is closed.

1. ROLL CALL:

2. MINUTES:

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2020
- B. APPROVED MINUTES OF MAY 20, 2020

3. PERSONAL PRESENTATIONS:

THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING IS RESERVED FOR PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ANY MATTER NOT ON THE AGENDA. SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

ALL STATEMENTS REQUIRING A RESPONSE WILL BE REFERRED TO STAFF FOR FURTHER ACTION. IN MOST CASES, STATE LAW WILL PROHIBIT THE BOARD FROM MAKING ANY DECISIONS WITH RESPECT TO A MATTER NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA.

4. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. CASA 2020 VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE – PRELIMINARY PROGRAM AND REGISTRATION
- B. CSDA ESSENTIAL SERVICES ACT

5. MEETINGS:

- A. THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN JOSE/SANTA CLARA TREATMENT PLANT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (TAC) TO BE HELD ON JULY 7, 2020
- B. THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN JOSE/SANTA CLARA TREATMENT PLANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TPAC) TO BE HELD ON JULY 9, 2020

6. REPORTS:

NONE

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7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. COVID-19 UPDATES
- B. FORM 470
- C. BUDGET

8. NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

9. STAFF REPORT:

- A. PERMIT APPLICATION - 1052 BUBB ROAD

10. CLOSED SESSION:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
in accordance with government code section Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9, existing litigation. Name of Case: County Sanitation District 2-3, West Valley Sanitation District, Cupertino Sanitary District, Burbank Sanitary District and the City of Milpitas v. The City of San Jose, The City of Santa Clara and Does 1 through 50 inclusive.

11. CALENDAR ITEMS:

- A. NEXT REGULAR DISTRICT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020

12. ADJOURNMENT:

**CUPERTINO SANITARY DISTRICT
MEETING/EVENT SCHEDULE**

JULY 2020

07/01: 1st Regular Meeting
 07/06: TAC
 07/09: TPAC
 07/15: 2nd Regular Meeting

JULY 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 1 st Regular Meeting	2	3 Holiday	4
5	6 TAC	7	8	9 TPAC	10	11
12	13	14	15 2 nd Regular Meeting	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

AUGUST 2020

08/05: 1st Regular Meeting
 08/10: TAC
 08/12-13: CASA Virtual Conference
 08/13: TPAC
 08/19: 2nd Regular Meeting

AUGUST 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 1 st Regular Meeting	6	7	8
9	10 TAC	11	12 CASA Virtual Conf.	13 TPAC	14	15
16	17	18	19 2 nd Regular Meeting	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

SEPTEMBER 2020

09/02: 1st Regular Meeting
 09/07: TAC/Holiday
 09/10: TPAC
 09/16: 2nd Regular Meeting

SEPTEMBER 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 1 st Regular Meeting	2	3	4
5	6	7 Holiday	8	9	10 TPAC	11
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The Sanitary Board of the Cupertino Sanitary District convened this date at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the Executive Order N-33-20 via teleconferencing.

1. ROLL CALL:

President Chen called the meeting to order and roll call was taken, with the following members in attendance:

Directors present: Angela S. Chen, Taghi S. Saadati, John M. Gatto, William A. Bosworth, and Patrick S. Kwok.

Staff present: District Manager Benjamin Porter, District Advisor Richard K. Tanaka, and Counsel Marc Hynes.

Public: No one conferenced in.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. The Board conducted a public hearing on collection of sanitary sewer service charges for FY 2020-21.

1. Manager Porter presented the tax roll report.
2. President Chen opened the public hearing at 7:12pm. There were no public comments.
3. President Chen closed the public hearing at 7:13pm.
4. The Board discussed the tax roll report.
5. On a motion by Director Gatto, seconded by Director Kwok, by a vote of 5-0-0, Resolution No. 1324, Confirming Reports on Rates and Charges for FY2020-2021 was approved.
6. On motion by Director Gatto, seconded by Director Bosworth, by a vote of 5-0-0, Resolution No. 1325, Collection of Rates and Charges for FY 2020-2021 was approved.

3. MINUTES & BILLS:

- A. On a motion by Director Kwok, seconded by Director Gatto, by a vote of 5-0-0, the minutes of Wednesday, May 20, 2020 were approved.
- B. By consensus, the Minutes of Wednesday, May 6, 2020 are to be Noted & Filed.
- C. The Board reviewed the May financials for payment. On a motion by Director Gatto, seconded by Director Bosworth, by a vote of 5-0-0, payment of bills was approved.
- D. The Board members will submit their timesheets electronically.

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4. PERSONAL PRESENTATIONS:

There were none.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

The Board reviewed the LAFCO budget for FY 2020-2021. The Board asked how the fee is calculated. Staff is to report back to the Board at next meeting.

The Board received notice of CASA 2020 Virtual Annual Conference. The Board asked about cost to attend. Attendance will be discussed at a later date.

6. MEETINGS:

There are none.

7. REPORTS:

- A. Manager Porter reported on the teleconference meeting of The San Jose/Santa Clara Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) held May 22, 2020.
- B. Director Gatto reported on the teleconference meeting of The San Jose/Santa Clara Treatment Plant Advisory Committee (TPAC) held May 28, 2020.
- C. Director Bosworth reported on the teleconference meeting of the Santa Clara County Special District Association held June 1, 2020.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. COVID-19 discussion: Potential exposure to an inspector was reported. The inspector's wife's coworker's sister has tested positive.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. The Board discussed tax roll reimbursement request for Scandinavian Design. On a motion by Director Saadati, seconded by Director Kwok, by a vote of 5-0-0, reimbursement in the amount of \$2,934.60 was approved.
- B. The Board discussed annual InfoCare renewal for XPSWMM. On a motion by Director Kwok, seconded by Director Saadati, by a vote of 5-0-0, reimbursement to Mark Thomas in the amount of \$3,277.50 (50%) was approved.
- C. The Board reviewed the District's draft budget. Staff is to bring back to the Board for adoption.

10. STAFF REPORTS:

- A. Manager Porter reported on the monthly maintenance report.

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11. CLOSED SESSION:

President Chen adjourned the regular meeting session and opened the closed session at 8:32 p.m. Manager Porter and Advisor Tanaka were excused from the closed session.

- A. Conference with legal counsel – Existing Litigation in accordance with government code section Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9, existing litigation. Name of Case: County Sanitation District 2-3, West Valley Sanitation District, Cupertino Sanitary District, Burbank Sanitary District, and the City of Milpitas v. The City of San Jose, The City of Santa Clara, and Does 1 through 50 inclusive.

Closed session was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. and the regular meeting was called to order. Manager Porter and Advisor Tanaka rejoined the regular meeting. There was no reportable action.

12. NEXT MEETING:

The next regular District Board meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2020.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion properly made and seconded, at 8:51 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary of the Sanitary Board

President of the Sanitary Board

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1. ROLL CALL:

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Directors present: Angela S. Chen, Taghi S. Saadati, John M. Gatto, William A. Bosworth, and Patrick S. Kwok.

Staff present: District Manager Benjamin Porter, District Advisor Richard K. Tanaka, and Counsel Marc Hynes.

Public: No one conferenced in.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. The Board conducted a public hearing for the consideration of a sewer rate increase for FY 2020-21.

1. Manager Porter presented the staff report and memo that was included in the agenda package and stated the District received 13 protest letters, of which the majority noted the current COVID-19 pandemic issue.
2. President Chen opened the public hearing. There were no public comments.
3. President Chen closed the public hearing.
4. The Board discussed implementing a 10% rate increase. The Board acknowledged the protest letters with a note that if the Board approves this new rate, it will not go into effect until July 1, 2020 and it would be the new rate in effect for FY 2020-21.
5. On a motion by Director Gatto, seconded by Director Kwok, by a vote of 5-0-0, Ordinance No. 126, Amending Article VII, Sections 7001 through 7003, of the Cupertino Sanitary District Operations Code was approved.

B. On motion by Director Gatto, seconded by Director Bosworth, by a vote of 5-0-0, Resolution No. 1323, Fixing Time and Place for Public Hearing on Report on Rates and Charges FY 2020-21 was approved. The public hearing is scheduled to take place on June 17, 2020.

3. MINUTES & BILLS:

A. On a motion by Director Bosworth, seconded by Director Saadati, by a vote of 5-0-0, the minutes of Wednesday, May 6, 2020 were approved.

B. By consensus, the Minutes of Wednesday, April 15, 2020 are to be Noted & Filed.

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- C. The Board reviewed the April financials for payment. On a motion by Director Bosworth, seconded by Director Gatto, by a vote of 5-0-0, payment of bills was approved.
- D. The Board members will submit their timesheets electronically.

4. PERSONAL PRESENTATIONS:

There were none.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none.

6. MEETINGS:

- A. Manager Porter plans to attend the teleconference meeting of The San Jose/Santa Clara Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to be held May 22, 2020.
- B. Director Gatto plans to attend the teleconference meeting of The San Jose/Santa Clara Treatment Plant Advisory Committee (TPAC) scheduled to be held May 28, 2020.
- C. Director Bosworth plans to attend the teleconference meeting of the Santa Clara County Special District Association to be held June 1, 2020.

7. REPORTS:

- A. Director Gatto reported on the teleconference meeting of The San Jose/Santa Clara Treatment Plant Advisory Committee (TPAC) held May 7, 2020. City of San Jose reported that the treatment plant activities are ongoing, it is business as usual during this COVID-19 pandemic period, and the first phase of the Legacy Lagoon project will commence this year with a cost of \$8 million which is being reallocated without any increase to the current treatment plant operation cost.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. COVID-19 discussion: Manager Porter discussed the District staff workload during this pandemic period.
- B. Advisor Tanaka reported on credit card payment status. Five payments have been processed since the date of implementation.
- C. Advisor Tanaka reported on the status of the Prospect Pump Station. The last remaining item of work, which was to complete the bike lane striping, has been completed. Kirkbrook area improvement, which involved installing two backflow preventer devices as an additional safeguard in the event of Prospect Pump Station failure, has also been completed. Staff is in the process of preparing as-builts.

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9. NEW BUSINESS:

There was none.

10. STAFF REPORTS:

A. Manager Porter reported on the monthly maintenance report.

11. CLOSED SESSION:

President Chen adjourned the regular meeting session and opened the closed session at 7:40 p.m.

A. Conference with legal counsel – Existing Litigation in accordance with government code section Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9, existing litigation. Name of Case: County Sanitation District 2-3, West Valley Sanitation District, Cupertino Sanitary District, Burbank Sanitary District, and the City of Milpitas v. The City of San Jose, The City of Santa Clara, and Does 1 through 50 inclusive.

Advisor Tanaka was requested to remain during the closed session to answer and respond to Board's questions related to capital costs and was then excused from the closed session at 8:17 p.m.

Closed session was adjourned at 8:36 p.m. and the regular meeting was called to order. Manager Porter and Advisor Tanaka rejoined the regular meeting. There was no reportable action.

12. NEXT MEETING:

The next regular District Board meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, June 3, 2020.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion properly made and seconded, at 8:39 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary of the Sanitary Board

President of the Sanitary Board



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Preliminary Program – 6/17/20

Subject to Change

Wednesday, August 12

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| 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. | CSRMA Training (Separate Registration Required) |
| 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. | Welcome from CASA President Bill Long |
| 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. | Larry Adam, Raymond James (Confirmed)
National Economic Forecast in the Wake of COVID-19 |
| 10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | BREAK |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. | COVID-19 Panel [Perspectives on Workforce Transitions, Latest from the CDC, and Updates on Wastewater Based Epidemiology (WBE) Efforts] <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Eileen White, East Bay MUD (Confirmed)▪ Mark Starr, DPH (Invited)▪ Amy Kirby / Mia Mattioli, CDC (Confirmed) |
| 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. | BREAK |
| 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. | Lunchtime Water Trivia Event hosted by Pour House |
| 1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. | BREAK |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Roundtables (See Topic List Below, Sign-Up in Advance) |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. | Federal Legislative Committee Meeting (via Zoom) |
| 3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | BREAK |
| 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | Communications Committee Meeting (via Zoom) |

Thursday, August 13

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| 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. | CSRMA Board of Directors Meeting |
| 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. | Virtual Women's Networking Breakfast / Coffee |
| 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. | Welcome from CASA Vice President Jason Dow |
| 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Cassandra Pye, American Leadership Forum (Confirmed) |

	Leading Consciously – An Implicit Bias Primer
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Bruce Mehlman: Mehlman Castagnetti Rosen & Thomas (Confirmed) Long Term Impacts of COVID-19
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	BREAK
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Assemblymember Richard Bloom and Jessica Gauger (Confirmed) Interview on Wipes Issues and Legislator of the Year Award
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Jason Carter, Arcadis (Confirmed) Closing the Innovation Gap
12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	BREAK
12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Virtual Luncheon Program: CASA Education Foundation Scholarship Recipient Videos State Legislative Update (Jessica Gauger) Federal Legislative Update (Eric Sapirstein) Passing of the Gavel Annual Member Meeting: Election and Dues Changes Results
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Andrew Damron / Mark Panny, Napa Sanitation District (Confirmed) Strategic Considerations in Cost of Service and Planning Western Municipal Water District (Invited) Stakeholder Engagement and Communication on Rate Changes
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	BREAK
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	State Legislative Committee (via Zoom)
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Bay Area Biosolids Coalition Meeting

Roundtable Topics (More to Be Added)

- Communications: Developing Your Own Virtual Tours
- Communications: Customer Outreach Post-COVID 19
- COVID-19: The Future of Telework for Wastewater Agencies
- COVID-19: Wastewater Based Epidemiology Efforts
- COVID-19: Financial Impacts of the Pandemic and Agency Responses
- Regulatory: Microplastics - State Water Board Actions & Future Studies
- Regulatory: PFAS – SWRCB Investigatory Order, GSI Study, and other State and Federal Actions
- Regulatory: Ocean Acidification - Models and Next Steps
- Regulatory: State Water Board Revised Toxicity Provisions
- Regulatory: SB 1383 Implementation

Additional Recorded Content and Presentations (Available During Conference)

- “Meeting the Moment” Member Video
- Project Track Presentations (Multiple)
 - These 15 minute “quick hits” cover a number of innovative projects taking place at CASA member agencies on topics as diverse as renewable energy, biosolids management, and innovate approaches to treatment. Each presentation will contain follow up information for attendees who are interested in further details and specifics about these projects.
- Virtual Facility Tours (Multiple)

All presentations and prerecorded content will be available after the conference dates.

[Winter Conference](#)[DC Forum](#)[Annual Conference](#)[Home](#)

This year's Annual August Conference will be a fully virtual event! We will still be offering attendees the same excellent speakers and panel presentations they would expect at an in-person CASA conference, along with the ability to connect with your peers, all while participating from the comfort of your home or office. Using our new online platform and the webinar functionality you have all come to know and love these last few months, we are excited to provide a variety of live content, prerecorded and interactive features.

Conference Information

REGISTRATION

If you are a non-member and need assistance to register, please contact [Cheryl MacKelvie](#) or 916-397-9753.

Registration Fees:

- Full Conference: \$125
- Non-Member: \$125

CSRMA Registration Form: Separate registration is required.

For more details on topics and content, check out the [Preliminary Program](#).

Curious how we came to the decision to transition to a virtual conference? Check out CASA's thought process in [this video!](#)

Subject: FW: HR 7073 Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act

From: Colleen Haley <colleenh@csga.net>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:07 AM
To: Benjamin Porter <bporter@markthomas.com>
Subject: HR 7073 Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act

Hi Ben,

As you know, CSGA and special districts across the state have been advocating for access to the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund to offset COVID-19 expenditures and to gain access to a Federal Reserve program. We were fortunate when Congressman Garamendi decided to work with CSGA and introduce **HR 7073, the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act**. **Your district had previously sent a letter requesting special districts begin access to COVID-19 relief funds. Now that we have bill that specifically calls for this, would your district be willing to send a support letter?**

Communicating your districts' support for this legislation is crucial to building support in the U.S. House of Representatives and reinforcing the need for Senators Feinstein and Harris to remain engaged. Obviously, the more support we get, the stronger message it sends to our elected leaders. [Click here to read more about the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act.](#)

There is still time to send in your district's support letter. [Click here to download a sample letter](#) and/or visit the [CSGA COVID-19 Take Action page](#) for updates to this letter in the future and the latest on all state and federal advocacy actions.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need help sending your letter.

Have a great day,
Colleen

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H.R.7073 - Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act

116th Congress (2019-2020) | [Get alerts](#)

Sponsor: [Rep. Garamendi, John \[D-CA-3\]](#) (Introduced 06/01/2020)

Committees: House - Oversight and Reform; Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 06/01/2020 Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. ([All Actions](#))

Tracker: **Introduced** Passed House Passed Senate To President Became Law

Summary(0) **Text(1)** Actions(4) Titles(2) Amendments(0) Cosponsors(26) Committees(2) Related Bills(0)

There is one version of the bill.

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Introduced in House (06/01/2020)

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 7073

To amend the Social Security Act to include special districts in the coronavirus relief fund, to direct the Secretary to include special districts as an eligible issuer under the Municipal Liquidity Facility, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 1, 2020

Mr. GARAMENDI (for himself, Mr. KILMER, Ms. LEE of California, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. COX of California, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. BERA, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. ROUDA, Mr. CRIST, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. SOTO, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. KHANNA, and Mr. COSTA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To amend the Social Security Act to include special districts in the coronavirus relief fund, to direct the Secretary to include special districts as an eligible issuer under the Municipal Liquidity Facility, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act”.

SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF SPECIAL DISTRICTS IN THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 601(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) **FUNDS FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS.**—If an amount in excess of \$150,000,000,000 is appropriated for payments made under this section, special districts shall be eligible for payments out of such excess amount in accordance with subsection (c)(6).”.

(b) **AMOUNT FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS.**—Section 601(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801(c)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through (8) as paragraphs (7) through (9), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following new paragraph:

“(6) **SPECIAL DISTRICTS.**—If a portion of any excess amount described in subsection (a)(3) is allocated to a State, such State shall allocate at least 5 percent of that amount for special districts in that State for distribution at such State’s discretion, not later than 60 days after such State has received such funds.”.

(c) **DEFINITION OF SPECIAL DISTRICT.**—Section 601(g) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801(g)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (5) as paragraphs (5) through (6), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph:

“(4) **SPECIAL DISTRICT.**—The term ‘special district’ means a political subdivision, formed pursuant to general law or special act of a State, for the purpose of performing one or more governmental or proprietary functions.”.

(d) **UPDATE TO GUIDANCE.**—The Secretary of the Treasury shall update any guidance issued with respect to the Coronavirus Relief Fund established under section 601 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801) to reflect the inclusion of special districts as eligible for payments from amounts in excess of \$150,000,000,000 appropriated under such section.

SEC. 3. INCLUDING SPECIAL DISTRICTS IN THE MUNICIPAL LIQUIDITY FACILITY.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall include special districts as eligible issuers in the Municipal Liquidity Facility program authorized under section 13(3) of the Federal Reserve Act.



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Bill Introduced to Include Special Districts in Federal COVID-19 Relief

By Eleanor Boling posted 23 days ago

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The California Special Districts Association is proud to support a bill introduced Monday that would provide special districts across the United States access to federal relief measures to assist state and local governments with unforeseen budgetary hardship resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Congressman John Garamendi, D-Calif., introduced HR 7073, the “Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act,” which would give special districts access to key resources available to local governments under the CARES Act, including the Coronavirus Relief Fund and the Federal Reserve’s Municipal Liquidity Facilities program.

[Click here to access text of the bill.](#)

Special districts are local governments created by a community to deliver specialized services – such as critical infrastructure, first response and community enrichment services – that are essential to residents’ health, safety, economy, and well-being. Approximately 30,000 special districts across the country continue to serve millions of Americans and respond to needs within their communities while

facing the constraints of the pandemic.

“Special districts in California and across the nation have been financially strained due to COVID-19 and have been excluded from much-needed federal relief,” said Neil McCormick, CEO with the California Special Districts Association (CSDA). “The Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act will help thousands of these specialized local governments to continue to provide important infrastructure, first response and other critical local services for millions of Americans through this pandemic. The aid will help special districts continue to focus on preparing for emergencies we know inevitably are ahead, like wildfires and Public Safety Power Shutoffs. CSDA proudly supports the bill and thanks Congressman Garamendi for spearheading this effort.”

The legislation would require a state to distribute no less than five percent of any future Coronavirus Relief Fund monies received by the state to in each respective state within 60 days of receiving the resources. The bill would also authorize the Federal Reserve to consider special districts as “eligible issuers” for its Municipal Liquidity Facilities program to purchase suitable municipal bond and revenue anticipation notes.

Lastly, the bill establishes a definition of “special district”, which currently does not exist in federal statute: “The term ‘special district’ means a political subdivision, formed pursuant to general law or special act of a state, for the purpose of performing one or more governmental or proprietary functions.”

The bill has earned the endorsement of CSDA and a national coalition of state special districts associations in Colorado, Florida, Oregon and Utah. A coalition of [12 special districts stakeholder organizations in California](#) also endorse the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act.

CSDA will continue to work with state and national coalition partners to represent the needs of special districts at the state and federal level. CSDA seeks support for this bill and future legislation to that could bring aid to special districts. If you have any questions contact Cole Karr, Public Affairs Field Coordinator at colek@csla.net.

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear [Congressman/woman X], Senator Feinstein and Senator Harris,

The [Your District Name] respectfully urges you to support H.R. 7073, the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act, which would bring much-needed relief resources to special districts in our community, throughout California, and across the nation.

As a provider of [your district services (water, fire protection, parks, etc)] to [approximate population number served] residents in the [name of community/communities/region you serve], proportional access to federal relief resources would help our district confront COVID-19 and overcome related unbudgeted expenses and revenue losses. Access to capital as our state and nation struggle with an economic downturn and unprecedented unemployment situation will be key for continuing operations unhindered, restoring our local economy, and preparing for the next disaster.

[Has your district had to cut/decrease/furlough staff? Decrease/cut services? Deferring maintenance? Will you have to delay capital improvement projects? Concerned about unpaid utility bills? Please share here. If possible, estimate or give the total expenditures and revenue losses your district has incurred. Then, very briefly share if your district has adapted to meet the needs of your community and how]

H.R. 7073 would help the [your district name] meet the challenges of COVID-19 by:

- **Allowing special districts access to the Coronavirus Relief Fund.** Under the bill, states would be required to allocate no less than 5 percent of future Coronavirus Relief Fund disbursements to special districts. Doing so remedies deep concerns and uncertainty surrounding special districts' future access to much-needed assistance for unforeseen COVID-19-related expenditures and revenue loss. Even with the Fund's allocation under the CARES Act, many states have not yet released their portion of the Fund to local governments, including here in California. Designating special districts as eligible for the Fund would greatly assist districts in their attempts to both recoup revenue losses and backfill the increase in expenditures many have experienced due to a variety of pandemic-related expenses (PPE, etc.), which totals an estimated \$250 million through May 5 for California's special districts.
- **Permitting special districts to be considered "eligible issuers" of the Federal Reserve Board's Municipal Liquidity Facility (MLF).** The Federal Reserve established the MLF as a tool to use funds provided in the CARES Act to purchase bonds and revenue anticipation notes to support States and some local governments experiencing financial stress. Despite special districts' authority to issue these notes, they were not included as "eligible issuers" under the MLF. H.R. 7073 corrects this omission and makes special districts "eligible issuers" for purposes of the MLF as well.

- **Defines “special district”**. Currently, a federal definition for “special district” does not exist. The bill would establish the term as a *“political subdivision, formed pursuant to general law or special act of a State, for the purpose of performing one or more governmental or proprietary functions.”*

As Congress continues to negotiate next steps for COVID-19 relief for state and local governments, the [your district name] not only asks for your support on this bill in the U.S. House but also its provisions’ inclusion in the Senate’s version of a state and local relief bill.

Thank you for your ongoing support of California’s families and communities. Our district stands ready to partner with you in our continued efforts to deliver essential services to California residents.

Sincerely,
[Signature]

[name]
[position]
[district name]

CC:

California Special Districts Association
[via advocacy@cdda.net]

Draft Budget for FY 2020-21
Expenses

Account Name	Account Number	FY 2019-20 Budget	FY 2020-21 Projected Expenditure	FY 2020-21 Proposed Budget	REMARKS
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Loan Payments	41000	\$1,172,305	\$634,917	\$1,200,542	Two annual loan payments
Directors Fees	41030	\$35,000	\$32,682	\$35,000	Keep same as last year
Gasoline, Oil & Fuel	41060	\$3,000	\$1,432	\$3,000	Keep same as last year
Insurance	41070	\$135,000	\$132,453	\$135,000	Keep same as last year
Memberships	41080	\$35,000	\$47,861	\$57,000	CSDA was new in 2019/20 and half price (\$7,252); budget for \$14k; Increase total budget by \$22K to account for CSDA and increases in CASA, USA, CWEA
Office Rent	41090	\$6,000	\$4,800	\$6,000	Keep same as last year
Operating Expenses - General	41100	\$3,000	\$4,282	\$3,000	Keep same as last year
Operating Expenses - Credit Card Processing Fees	4100	\$0		\$3,700	New Category based on \$200k in fees processed
Contractual Services:					
Outfall Maintenance	41113	\$71,000	\$70,536	\$71,000	Annually \$46.5K to SJ and \$24K to Santa Clara; keep same as last year
T.P. Oper. & Maint.	41114	\$6,253,614	\$6,138,028	\$8,630,553	Provided by CSJ (TPAC); 40% increase due mainly to Legacy Lagoon Phase 2
Professional Services:					
Management Services	41121	\$500,000	\$535,156	\$540,000	Increase by 8% after no increase in previous year
Engineering Services	41122	\$1,000,000	\$1,236,041	\$1,200,000	Increase to reflect elevated engineering effort for development, repairs, permitting, GIS, and Lucy as well as the cost of engineering personnel.
Plan Ckg. & Insp.	41123	\$140,000	\$120,613	\$200,000	Increase to \$200,000 for one larger development project
Legal - District Counsel	41124	\$60,000	\$45,806	\$60,000	Keep same as last year
Legal - Common Interest Group (CUSD Advance Pay)	41124	\$980,000	\$694,828	\$980,000	CUSD is lead agency for the Common Interest Group. Advance pay, but will be 100% reimbursed from other tributary agencies.
Legal - Common Interest Group (CUSD Share)	41124	\$222,000	\$195,977	\$222,000	CUSD's Allocation
Audit	41125	\$11,500	\$11,300	\$11,500	Keep same as last year
Printing & Publications	41130	\$15,000	\$27,642	\$28,000	Two publications (annual and rate increase)
Repairs	41150	\$800,000	\$377,808	\$800,000	Keep same as last year
Maintenance	41151	\$3,000,000	\$3,121,443	\$3,200,000	Increase to reflect 2019-20
Travel & Meetings Staff	41170	\$15,000	\$8,211	\$15,000	Keep same as last year
Travel & Meetings BOD	41170	\$18,000	\$13,993	\$18,000	Keep same as last year
Utilities	41190	\$60,000	\$64,770	\$65,000	Increase to reflect 2019-20
Refunds & Reimbursements:					
Miscellaneous	41201	\$50,000	\$11,573	\$50,000	Keep same as last year
Connection Fees	41202	\$2,000	\$233,178	\$2,000	Keep same as last year; connection fees were repaid in 2019-2020 but this is not expected again in 2020-2021.
Checking & Inspection	41203	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	Keep same as last year
Emergency Funds	48000	\$250,000	\$93,409	\$250,000	Keep same as last year
Consolidated Election	48001	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	November 2020 Election
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		\$14,840,419	\$13,858,740	\$17,939,295	
CAPITAL EXPENSES					
District Sewer Capital & Support	46041	\$2,000,000	\$2,355,991	\$2,000,000	Keep same as last year
Treatment Plant Capital	46042	\$14,065,406	\$14,014,863	\$6,392,192	Provided by CSJ (TPAC)
Outfall Capital	46043	\$850,000	\$1,607,581	\$1,572,000	\$800k for CSJ; \$772k for CSC
District Equipment	46043	\$150,000	\$182,813	\$150,000	Keep same as year year
Replacement Fund	46044	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	Annual reserve setaside
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSES		\$17,365,406	\$18,461,247	\$10,414,192	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$32,205,825	\$32,319,987	\$28,353,487	

CUPERTINO SANITARY DISTRICT

BUDGET WORKSHEET FOR FY 2020-21

Revenue

Account Name	Account Number	Budget FY 2019-20	FY 2019-20 Projected Revenue	Budget FY 2020-21 PROPOSED	REMARKS
OPERATING					
Service Charges	31010				
Handbilling		\$522,000	\$503,269	\$553,700	Estimated 10% increase
Tax Roll		\$17,100,000	\$17,099,652	\$19,220,000	Per Current Tax roll 6-15-2020
Capital Loan		\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	No loan this year
Permit Fees	31020	\$130,000	\$99,562	\$130,000	Keep same as last year
Connection Fees	31031	\$300,000	\$15,268	\$600,000	Based on one new development
Capacity Fees	31032	\$300,000	\$30,310	\$600,000	Based on one new development
Pump Zone Fees	31033	\$80,000	\$0	\$80,000	Keep same as last year
Checking & Inspection Fees	31040	\$160,000	\$85,642	\$160,000	Keep same as last year
Annexation	32010	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	Keep same as last year
Interest	32050	\$220,000	\$293,013	\$220,000	Keep same as last year
City of San Jose Credit(s)	32091	\$500,000	\$1,286,916	\$500,000	Keep same as last year
Legal - Common Interest Group (Tributaries)					
Legal - Common Interest Group (2% Admin Fees)	32092.1	\$1,026,000	\$288,760	\$700,000	Payments from Other Tributary Agencies
Refunds/Reimbursements - Misc.	32902.2	\$20,000	\$5,893	\$14,000	Common Interest Group Lead Agency Management
Lateral Construction	32091	\$10,000	\$20,817	\$10,000	Keep same as last year
Lateral Construction	32093	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	Keep same as last year
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		\$30,385,500	\$29,729,104	\$22,805,200	
Revenue Transfer					
TOTAL REVENUE					
Total Expenses		\$32,205,825	\$32,319,987	\$28,353,487	
Credit to Account					
Debit from Account		\$1,820,325	\$2,590,883	\$5,548,287	
Net Operating Revenue		\$32,205,825	\$32,319,987	\$28,353,487	