

# Agricultural Water Rates Task Force

## Meeting Schedule and Topics

### — April 26 — 1<sup>st</sup> Task Force meeting

- Introduction of members and staff
- Discuss participation rules and guidelines
- Discuss tentative schedule of meetings
- Define problem to solve
- Taskforce roundtable of initial thoughts and concerns

### — May 24 — 2<sup>nd</sup> Task Force meeting

- WA-3, WA-9 and WA-8 water rates: history, purpose, class comp, revenue, application (staff presentation — Justin)
- Greenbelt history (staff presentation — Rick, Steve Hayes, Joyce)
- GrowRIVERSIDE initiative (staff presentation — Joyce J.)
- Sneak peak of Meeting 3 (staff presentation — Rick)

### — June 28 — 3<sup>rd</sup> Task Force meeting

- Water Cost of Service Analysis (COSA) and Rate Design Study (staff/consultant presentation — Brian S. / Carollo)

### — July 26 — 4<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting

- Gage Canal Company history, structure, condition and shares (presentation — Rick)
- 1<sup>st</sup> quarterly update preview (Andrew)

### — Aug 13 — 1<sup>st</sup> quarterly Task Force update to Council Land Use Committee

### — August 23 — 5<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting

- Riverside Food Systems Alliance (presentation — Gurumantra Khalsa)
- UWMP usage characteristics by class (staff presentation — Mike P.)
- Taskforce open discussion on:
  - COSA and WA-3 / WA-9 rate proposal factors

### — Sept 27 — 6<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting

- Water Rate Comparison Tables (staff presentation — Rick)
- Taskforce open discussion on:
  - Water rate comparison tables
  - Greenbelt past, present, future
  - Gage Canal opportunities
  - Other water service options

- **October 25 – 7<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - Prop 218 legal guidance on rate proposal development (Anthony)
  - Taskforce open discussion on:
    - What do we value as agriculture?
    - How should agriculture be defined?
    - WA-9 Rate Proposal # 1 (Tom Evans)
    - Flat Rate Proposal #1 (Jason Hunter/Scott Simpson)
    - Business Improvement District proposal (Scott Andrews)
- **November 14 – 8<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - City definition of agriculture (presentation – City Planner)
  - Is Agriculture in Riverside Economically Viable? (presentation – Seth Wilson)
  - Taskforce open discussion on:
    - Prop R and Measure C
    - Gage canal shares
    - How can Gage Canal best support agriculture?
  - Continue development of Ag rate proposal options
- **Dec 10, 2018 – 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly Task Force update to Council Land Use Committee**
- **December 13 – 9<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - Agricultural water use efficiency options and sustainability of agriculture in Riverside (presentation – Jason T / Kerwin)
  - Growing Hope Project (presentation)
  - Investing in local food systems and the HEAL zone (Cecilia Arias – Kaiser Perm.)
  - Riverside Unified School District (presentation – Scott Berndt)
  - Begin evaluation of Ag rate proposal options
- **January 24 – 10<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - 1969 Judgement
  - Begin formulation of final Ag rate proposals
- **February 21 – 11<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - TBD
  - 50% formulation of final Ag rate proposals
- **March 28 – 12<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - TBD
  - 75% formulation of final Ag rate proposals
- **April 8, 2019 – 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly Task Force update to Council Land Use Committee**
- **April 25 – 13<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting**
  - TBD
  - 95% formulation of final Ag rate proposals
- **May 23 – 14<sup>th</sup> Last Task Force meeting**
  - TBD
  - Finalize rate proposal(s) recommendation
- **June 17, 2019 – Final Ag rate proposal recommendation to Board of Public Utilities**
- **July 8, 2019 – Final Ag rate proposal recommendation to Land Use Committee**