



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 6/2/2026

To: Board of Directors, Sonoma County Water Agency
Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Water Agency
Staff Name and Phone Number: Grant Davis 707-547-1900, Todd Schram 707-524-1173
Vote Requirement: Majority
Supervisorial District(s): Fifth

Title:

Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District Water Supply Agreement Time Extension

Recommended Action:

Authorize General Manager of Sonoma County Water Agency to execute an extension of the First Amended Agreement for Sale of Water between Sonoma County Water Agency and Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District, which extends the agreement term by one year for a new end date of June 30, 2027.

Executive Summary:

Since 1996, the Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) has had an agreement to sell water to the Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District (Camp Meeker), which provides water to residents of Camp Meeker. The current agreement allows for Camp Meeker to divert up to 35 acre-feet per year of water from the Russian River through its diversion system and expires June 30, 2026. This item recommends authorization for the General Manager of Sonoma Water to execute a one-year extension of the First Amended Agreement for the Sale of Water between the Sonoma County Water Agency and Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District (First Amended Agreement).

Discussion:

HISTORY OF ITEM/BACKGROUND

Sonoma Water and Camp Meeker entered into an agreement for the sale of water, dated July 9, 1996 (Original Agreement). The Original Agreement authorized diversions of up to 90 acre-feet per year (ac-ft/yr) under Sonoma Water's water rights when Camp Meeker's own water rights do not authorize diversions. These diversions are authorized through an existing point of diversion on the Russian River, not from Sonoma Water's transmission system. The Original Agreement was amended on November 9, 1999 (Amendment No. 1), to temporarily allow water trucks filled in Camp Meeker to serve water to the Occidental Community Services District (Occidental), which was facing inadequate water supplies. The provisions added under Amendment No. 1 were temporary and expired on January 1, 2001, while the Original Agreement remained in full force and effect. Inadequate water supply issues recurred in Occidental in 2008, and, in response, Amendment No. 2 was signed on December 9, 2008. Amendment No. 2 authorized Camp Meeker to supply Occidental water when Occidental's water sources were inadequate to meet demands. The provisions added under Amendment No. 2 remained in effect during the term of the Original Agreement. Protracted negotiations for renewal of the Original Agreement resulted in one-year extensions in 2014 and 2015, and a six-month extension in June 2016. On October 18, 2016, the parties executed the First Amended Agreement, which contains similar terms as the Original Agreement but with several notable changes. The First Amended

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Agreement includes a reduction in the maximum annual amount of diversions from 90 ac-ft/yr to 35 ac-ft/yr, the addition of Occidental's service area to the authorized place of use term, and the addition of annually assessed charges.

The First Amended Agreement is set to expire on June 30, 2026. Since January 2026, Sonoma Water has been in discussions with Camp Meeker to draft a renewal agreement; however, the parties have agreed to a one-year time extension to the First Amended Agreement to allow sufficient time for review and agreement on new terms and conditions. Upon the conclusion of negotiations, Sonoma Water staff will return to the Board for authorization of the new agreement.

California Environmental Quality Act

The General Manager has determined that the proposed one-year extension of the First Amended Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under Section 15301(c) because the future levels of diversions and use of water by Camp Meeker under the First Amended Agreement will not be significantly different from existing levels of diversion and use and involves no expansion of existing use.

County of Sonoma Strategic Plan Alignment:

N/A

Sonoma Water Strategic Plan Alignment

Goal: 5. Climate Change - Assess risk and uncertainty of climate change, and develop and take actions that improve resiliency and sustainability.

Strategy: 5.1 Develop and implement practices to understand and minimize vulnerability to climate change impacts.

Action Item: 5.1.4 Develop inclusive practices for Sonoma Water's climate mitigation and adaptation efforts considering the needs of under-resourced and under-represented communities.

The water supply agreement with Camp Meeker provides an additional supply to the water supply portfolio for the communities of Camp Meeker and Occidental that serves to improve system resilience under times of water shortage in the Russian River watershed.

Racial Equity:

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?

No

Prior Board Actions:

10/26/2016: Board approved and authorized Chair to execute First Amended Agreement for Sale of Water between Sonoma Water and Camp Meeker.

06/21/2016: Board approved and authorized General Manager of Sonoma County Water Agency to execute extension of Sonoma Water's water supply agreement with Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District of up to six months.

06/16/2015: Board approved and authorized General Manager of Sonoma County Water Agency to approve and execute extensions to Sonoma Water's water supply agreements with Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District of up to one year.

06/17/2014: Board approved and authorized General Manager of Sonoma County Water Agency to execute extensions of up to one year to the Sonoma Water's water supply agreements with Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District, City of Healdsburg, and Marin Municipal Water District.

12/09/2008: (1) Board approved and authorized Chair to execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for the Sale of Water between the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District; (2) Resolution No. 08-0992 authorizing General Manager/Chief Engineer to file Notice of Exemption for Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for the Sale of Water between the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District.

11/09/1999: (1) Board approved and authorized Chair to execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for the Sale of Water between the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Camp Meeker Parks & Recreation District; (2) Resolution No. 99-1448 authorizing General Manager/Chief Engineer to file Notice of Exemption for Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for the Sale of Water between the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Camp Meeker Recreation and Park District.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY25-26 Adopted	FY26-27 Projected	FY27-28 Projected
Budgeted Expenses			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures			
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
General Fund Contingencies			
Total Sources			

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

The short-term extension of the water supply agreement will have no fiscal impact except for minor administrative costs that have mostly been expended through the preparation of the draft time extension agreement.

Staffing Impacts:			
Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Additions (Number)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

Attachments:

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Draft Extension of the First Amended Agreement

Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:

None.