

SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY WATER POLICY STATEMENT

Sustainability and Stewardship

The Agency will manage the natural resources with which it is entrusted to provide sustainable and high quality water supply, flood control, and wastewater services while protecting the environment for future generations.

Leadership

The Agency will provide the leadership for water resources issues within the North Bay Region to ensure policy decisions are based on the best available information.

Strategic Partnerships

The Agency will partner with stakeholders on technical, policy, and legislative initiatives where it serves to benefit the watersheds within which the Agency works.

Multi-Benefit and Integrated Water Resource Projects

The Agency will seek opportunities to develop innovative projects and programs that consider integrated water resources management and fisheries recovery, and achieve multiple benefits within the watersheds in which the Agency works.

Communication

The Agency will communicate with the public and other public entities regarding its water supplies, sanitation and flood control services to better inform land use planning decisions.

Regional Water Resources Management

The Agency will provide, manage, and protect water resources to meet public needs. The Agency will balance the use of surface water and groundwater, and promote the use of recycled water and water conservation.

Cost Effective Management

The Agency will employ best management practices and cost-effective methods in providing its services and implementing projects.