The Bay Area Regional Desalination Project

Invitation to a Public Open House

Wednesday, December 9, 2009 at 7:00 pm
EBMUD Headquarters in Oakland • 375 11th St., 2nd floor, Oakland, CA

Join us for a review of the findings from the recently-completed Pilot Testing, and a discussion of project planning—past, present, and future. We want to hear about the issues you care about most as we join with neighboring water purveyors to plan future water supply options.

Purpose
The Bay Area’s four largest water agencies, the Contra Costa Water District, the East Bay Municipal Utility District, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and the Santa Clara Valley Water District, are jointly exploring the development of regional desalination facilities that would benefit over 5.4 million Bay Area residents and businesses served by these agencies. The Bay Area Regional Desalination Project could consist of one or more desalination facilities to meet extended drought and emergency needs.

Project Status
A pilot test was recently completed at Contra Costa Water District’s Mallard Slough Pump Station site in the eastern part of Contra Costa County to collect data on technical feasibility (pretreatment options, membrane performance, design parameters) and the potential environmental impacts.

Project Costs and Schedule
The pilot test and previously completed feasibility analyses were funded by the partner agencies, with support from the State of California—Department of Water Resources, through Proposition 50 Chapter 6(a) grant funds. The project has also received federal assistance (Water Resources Development Act) and is anticipating future assistance as well.

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