Future Governance Committee Meetings

SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

Timeline and Where We Are Today

- March 2020 Governor proclaimed a State of Emergency for California as a result of the threat of COVID-19
- September 2021 Assembly Bill (AB) 361 signed into law to continue suspending Brown Act teleconference requirements when a local agency meets during a declared state of emergency, or local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.
- October 17, 2022 Governor announced that the COVID-19 State of Emergency will end on February 28, 2023





- Starting March 1, to ensure quorum and effective communication during critical SIP deliberations such that all committee members can participate equally, committee members are highly encouraged to attend in person or send an alternate to attend in their place.
- If the meeting venue can accommodate hybrid meetings, committee members may have the option to attend virtually in compliance with the **Brown Act** and/or **AB2449**.
 - The District will send a survey prior to each meeting to confirm quorum and solicit required information for teleconferencing, if needed.
 - Lakewood's Executive Board Room has been reserved through June 2023.





- Brown Act teleconference requirements:
 - Notice each teleconference location committee members attend from on the agenda
 - $\circ~$ Post agenda at all teleconference locations
 - $\circ~$ Each teleconference location to be accessible to the public
 - Members of the public may address the committee at each teleconference location



- AB2449 teleconference requirements Board member's teleconference location does not need to be posted on the meeting notice or agenda, and does not have to be open to the public. However:
 - Quorum must participate in the meeting from a single physical location
 - $\circ~$ Committee member must submit a disclosure of "just cause"
 - Committee member must participate remotely by audio *and* video
 - May not participate remotely under "just cause" more than two meetings within a calendar year
 - And may not participate remotely for any reason for more than three consecutive months or for 20 percent of the regular meetings within a calendar year.



Questions?

