



Meeting Agenda

Friday, December 12, 2025 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Location: SFPUC Headquarters – 525 Golden Gate, San Francisco, CA 94102

Zoom Call: Meeting ID: 331 704 7040 Passcode: 808698

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9:00 – 9:30 am	Refreshments and Networking
9:30 – 9:35 am	Welcome/Introductions Melody LaBella, President, WateReuse Northern California Chapter
9:35 – 10:00 am	Overview of San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Recycled Water Efforts Taylor Nokhousian, SFPUC; Manisha Kothari, SFPUC; Jignesh Desai, SPFUC
10:00 – 10:15 am	Networking Break
10:15 – 11:00 am	Panel Discussion: Bay Area One Water Network Moderator: Melody LaBella, President, WateReuse Northern California Chapter Panelists: Dr. David Sedlak, UC Berkeley; Sasha Harris-Lovett, San Francisco Estuary Partnership; Medi Sinaki, Valley Water
11:00 – 11:20 am	Networking Break
11:20 – 11:30 am	Discuss Reflections/Shares from Networking Breaks Melody LaBella, President, WateReuse Northern California Chapter
11:30 – 11:40 am	Legislative and Regulatory Updates Brian Ray, Membership and Events Coordinator, WateReuse California Association
11:40 - 11:50 am	CalVal: California's Framework for Potable Reuse Validation Medi Sinaki, Valley Water
11:50 – 11:55 pm	Update on WateReuse California Association Board Ted Couch, WateReuse NorCal Chapter Liaison
11:55 – 12:00 pm	Closing Remarks Melody LaBella, President, WateReuse Northern California Chapter
12:00 – 1:00pm	Networking and Lunch

Speaker Bios:

Taylor Nokhoudian Taylor is a Water Resources Program Manager at the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. She manages the Onsite Water Reuse Program, which allows buildings in San Francisco to treat and reuse water onsite for non-potable applications. Taylor graduated from UC Berkeley in Conservation and Resource Studies, and has a Masters in Public Administration from the University of San Francisco.

Manisha Kothari Manisha has almost 25 years of experience with infrastructure development and water supply planning. She has worked in the U.S. federal government, as a consultant, and for almost 19 years, at San Francisco's municipal utility with local and regional water supply responsibility, the SFPUC. At the SFPUC, Manisha oversees planning for large capital water supply projects from concept through implementation.

Jignesh Desai Jignesh is a Principal Project Manager for the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. He has over 31 years of experience in performing various levels of engineering and project management in the transportation and water/wastewater industry. He is currently managing the \$1B Progressive Design-Build project for Southeast Plant Nutrient Reduction and \$170 M Treasure Island Water Resource Recovery Project amongst other capital projects in the San Francisco Bayside Treatment Region.

Sasha Harris-Lovett Sasha is the Lead Environmental Scientist at the San Francisco Estuary Partnership, where she coordinates the Bay Area One Water Network, manages the Wetlands Regional Monitoring Program, and supports nature-based shoreline adaptation projects. She earned a bachelor's degree from Harvard and a MS and PhD from UC Berkeley.

Dr. David Sedlak David Sedlak is the Plato Malozemoff Professor in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. He is also the Director of the Berkeley Water Center and Chair of the National Academy of Engineering's Water Science & Technology Board.

Medi Sinaki Medi Sinaki is a Senior Engineer in Valley Water's Recycled and Purified Water Unit. He currently leads the Reverse Osmosis Concentrate Management program and manages the research, special studies, and projects pertinent to the expansion of recycled and purified water. Medi has over 24 years of experience in water/wastewater, stormwater, recycled water, chemical manufacturing, and Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S). Medi holds a Master of Science in Engineering with concentration in Water Resources and registration as a Chemical Engineer in California and Environmental Engineer in Nevada. Medi is also a certified T3 Water Treatment Operator and D2 Water Distribution Operator in the state of California.

Brian Ray Brian Ray is the Membership and Events Coordinator for WateReuse California. Brian represents WRCA in a myriad of activities including conference and special events planning.

Ted Couch Ted is a Senior Project Manager with Jacobs with experience in all facets of water/wastewater engineering. He serves as the Northern California Chapter Liaison to the California WateReuse Association.