Representative Policy Board Joint Meeting of the Consumer Affairs Committee (Regular Meeting) and

Land Use Committee (Special Meeting) South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Via Remote Access**

AGENDA

Meeting of Monday, April 19, 2021 at 5:30 pm

The Consumer Affairs Committee will consider and act upon:

- 1. Safety Moment
- 2. Review of the Regional Water Authority's proposed Capital and Operating Budgets for Fiscal Year 2022 (June 1, 2021 May 31, 2022)
- 3. Approval of Minutes March 22, 2021 meeting
- 4. Report of OCA J. Donofrio
- 5. Approval of OCA invoice for March 2021 for \$1,962.50
- 6. Next meeting May 17, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
- 7. Adjourn

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SAFETY MOMENT

APRIL - DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH

Every day, at least nine Americans die and 100 are injured in distracted driving crashes. Cell phones, dashboard touchscreens, voice commands and other in-vehicle technologies pose a threat to our safety. The consequences of those distractions are not worth the convenience they offer. Ignore the distractions and #justdrive to keep us all safer on the roads.



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- •Input destinations into GPS (while the vehicle is in motion)
- •Call or message someone else when I know they are driving

Service – Teamwork – Accountability – Respect – Safety



Safety is a core company value at the Regional Water Authority . It is our goal to reduce workplace injuries to zero.



RWA FY 2022 CAPITAL BUDGET

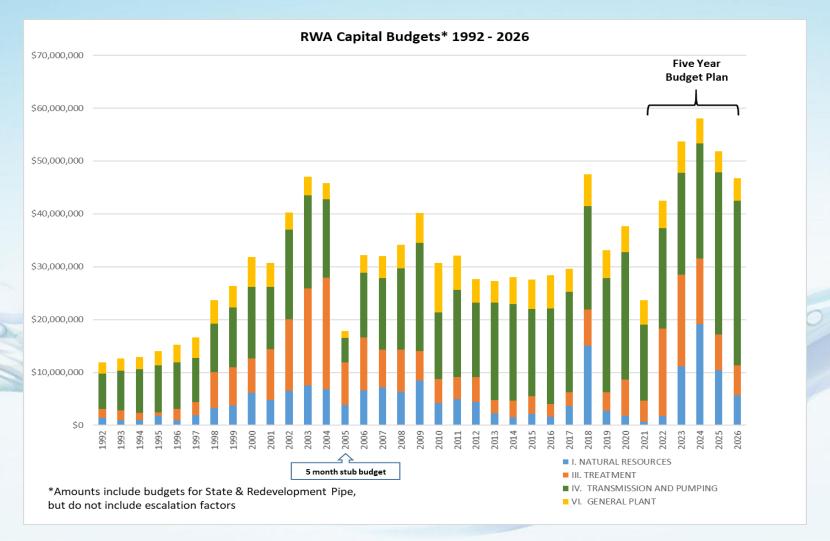


FY 2022 Capital Budget Topics

- 1. History
- 2. Assumptions
- 3. Introduction
- 4. Budget Prioritization
- 5. Natural Resources
- 6. Treatment
- 7. Transmission & Pumping
- 8. General Plant
- 9. Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan
- 10. New Budget Categories
- 11. Summary



Capital Budget History





FY 2022 Capital Budget - Assumptions

- Total budget will be approximately \$42.9 million
- The FY 2022 budget, and future budgets, take into consideration recommendations from GHD's expenditure forecast audit
- RPB project approvals will be successfully obtained where needed
- Capital budget contingency has been budgeted at \$500,000 (1.3%)
- CDOT pipe will continue to be self-funded and is estimated at \$3.0 million in FY 2022
- Municipal redevelopment pipe/non-reimbursable CDOT remains a funded item, with an increased funding level



FY 2022 Introduction

Funds 84 projects and programs in four categories:

 Na 	itural Resources	\$ 1.7 M
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•	Treatment	\$16.5 M

Contingency\$	0.5 M
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Total \$42.9 M



FY 2022 Introduction

- Reduced FY 2021 Budget deferred and delayed projects
- Drinking Water State Revolving Funds
- Asset Management FY 2022 Critical Assets and Facilities
- Risk, Resiliency, and Redundancy considerations
- Combination of Pumping and Transmission & Distribution categories



FY 2022 Prioritization Methodology

- 35 On-Going Projects and Programs
- Prioritization process for FY 2022
 - 10 Year Model Update in October 2020
 - Infrastructure and Technology projects prioritized separately
 - Review by CPCT, Project Managers and Leadership Team



Natural Resources - Highlights

Approximately \$1.7 million, ten projects and programs

- Watershed Protection (annual program): \$125,000; \$525,000 total
- Lake Whitney Dam Impr. (FY 2017 FY 2025): \$600,000; \$40MM total
- Stream Flow Reg. Impr. (FY 2022 FY 2026): \$150,000; \$280,000 total
- Tunnel/Div. /Raw Wtr. Main Rehab. (FY 2022 FY 2026): \$480,000; \$1.4MM total



Treatment - Highlights

Approximately \$16.5 million, 22 projects and programs

- Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant: \$2,776,000
 - Clarifiers & Recycle Building Impr. (FY 2021 FY 2024): \$306,000; \$4.25MM total
- Lake Saltonstall Water Treatment Plant \$2,420,000
 - Electrical Upgrades (FY 2021 FY 2024): \$300,000; \$3.8MM total
- Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant: \$680,000
 - HVAC, Dehumid., Nitrogen Boost (FY 2020 FY 2022): \$680,000; \$765,000 total
- West River Water Treatment Plant: \$7,300,000
 - West River WTP Improv. Project (FY 2016 FY 2024): \$7MM; \$16.3MM total
- Wellfield Improvements: \$3,315,000
 - South Sleeping Giant Wellfield Improv. (FY 2020 FY 2022): \$1.7MM; \$1.8MM total



Transmission & Pumping - Highlights

Approximately \$16.0 million, 23 projects and programs

Annual Programs:

- State and Municipal Pipe: \$4,600,000; \$19.2MM total
- Capital Pipe: \$3.0MM; \$16MM total
- Service Connections: \$2,000,000; \$11.4MM total
- Valve Replacements:\$300,000; \$1.4MM total
- Meters: \$715,000; \$915,000 total
- Hydrants: \$125,000; \$625,000 total

Projects:

- Northern Service Area Expan. (FY 2020 FY 2027): \$1,800,000; \$12.0MM total
- Serv. Area Impr. East West Trans. Main (FY 2021 FY 2026): \$200,000; \$400,000 total
- Ansonia-Derby Tank (FY 2009 FY2023): \$2.75MM; \$5.1MM total
- Crit. Pump Stat. & Trans. Facilities Prog. (FY 2022 FY 2026): \$350,000; \$4.9MM total
- Spring Street Pump Station Replacement (FY 2022 FY 2024): \$305,000; \$9.4MM total



General Plant - Highlights

Approximately \$4.5 million, 24 projects and programs

- SAP Enhancement Pack (FY 2022 FY 2023): \$250,000; \$2.5MM total
- Innovation Projects (FY 2022 FY 2030): \$400,000; \$2.75MM total
- SAP Monthly Billing (FY 2021 FY 2022): \$950,000; \$1.35MM total
- Cyber Security Enhancements (FY 2021 FY 2023): \$100,000; \$185,000 total
- GIS Aerial & Watershed Mapping (FY 2022 FY 2023): \$130,000; \$280,000 total
- System-Wide RTU Upgrades (FY 2018 FY 2022): \$700,000; \$5.33MM total
- Fleet Vehicle Replacements (Annual Program): \$400,000; \$3.4MM total



Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan

Five Year Plan of Capital Improvements Total Annual Budgets and Percentage Each Category of Total Budget

(totals do not include contingency)





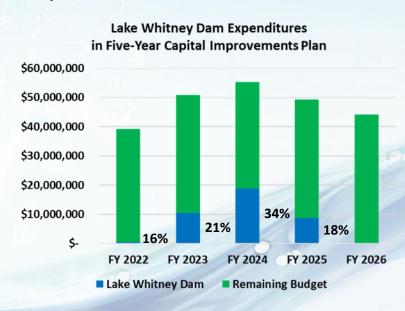
Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan

Lake Whitney Dam and Spillway Improvements

- Updated estimate yields significant impact to five-year plan
- Construction starts in FY 2023 and completes in FY 2025
- Expenditures in five-year plan:

- FY 2022	\$600,000
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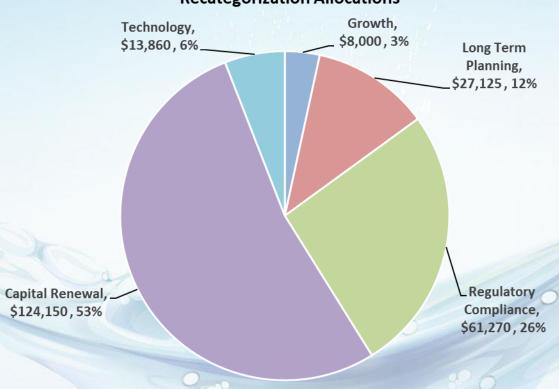
- FY 2026 \$0
- Ongoing or planned cost control activities
 - Alternative delivery methods analysis
 - Value engineering





New Budget Categories

FY 2022 - FY 2026 Five-Year Budget Recategorization Allocations





Summary

- Budget incorporates efficient and essential funding of infrastructure
- Inclusion and timing of large projects thoroughly vetted
- Continued pursuit of financing alternatives DWSRF
- GHD report recommendations taken into consideration
- Continued development and implementation of Asset Management Plan



RWA FY 2022 OPERATING BUDGET



Agenda

- Recap Financial Position
 - Steps Taken Due to COVID-19
 - Reserve Balances
 - Capital Funding Sources
- FY 2022 Operating Budget at a Glance
- Revenue & Expense Trends and Assumptions
- Maintenance Test
- Opportunities/Vulnerabilities
- Summary
- Appendix A Revenues
- Appendix B Major Operating and Maintenance Expenditures



Mitigating Strategies

Key Takeaway: Multi-faceted approach to COVID-19





Reserve Fund Balances - Discretionary

Key Takeaway: Prudent YE Fund Transfers

Debt Reserve Fund \$ 20.7M Capital Contingency Fund \$6.0 M

Rate
Stabilization
Fund
\$10.0 M

Operating Reserve Fund \$10.2 M

Fund Total:
Cash/Inv \$88.2M
Surety 36.2M
\$124.4M

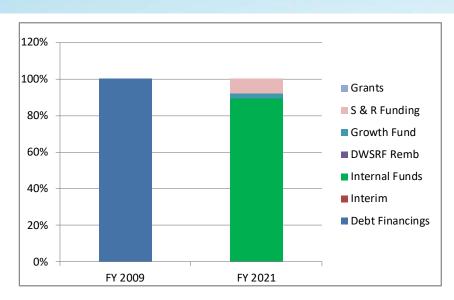
Growth Fund \$.75M \$.75M

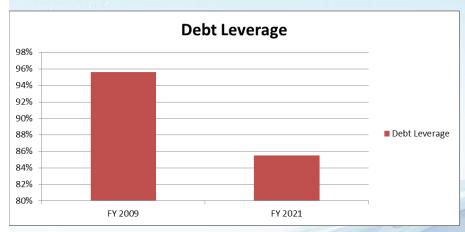
Monthly Transfer Funds

Debt Service \$16.6M PILOT \$ 2.2M \$18.8M Surety Funds \$29.4M \$ 6.8M* General Fund \$5.5M

FY 2021 Capital Sources

Key Takeaway: Ability to postpone rate application





Notes:

Anticipate \$800k grant towards pay-off Interim financing in 4Q FY 2021 Anticipate three reimbursing DWSRF loans and grants in FY 2022 \$25k open space grant to be used for future land purchases



FY 2022 Operating Budget At a Glance

Key Takeaway: O&M expense at target w/o using General Fund

	FY2022 Budget		FY2021 Original Budget	FY2021 Revised % Change Budget			% Change	FY2021 Projection		
Revenues										
Water Revenue	\$	116,629	\$ 117,202	-0.5%	\$	101,381	15.0%	\$ 114,281		
All Other		7,711	8,817	-12.5%		7,744	-0.4%	7,434		
Total Revenue	\$	124,340	\$ 126,019	-1.3%		109,125	13.9%	\$ 121,715		
Expenses										
O&M	\$	59,741	\$ 61,051	-2.1%	\$	56,200	6.3%	\$ 56,200		
Other Expenses		15,450	15,100	2.3%		15,100	2.3%	15,050		
Debt Service 114%		50,071	49,896	0.4%		49,869	0.4%	49,354		
Total Expenses	\$	125,262	\$ 126,047	-0.6%	\$	121,169	3.4%	\$ 120,604		
Shortfall	\$	922	\$ 28	3193.1%	\$	12,045	-92.3%	\$ -		

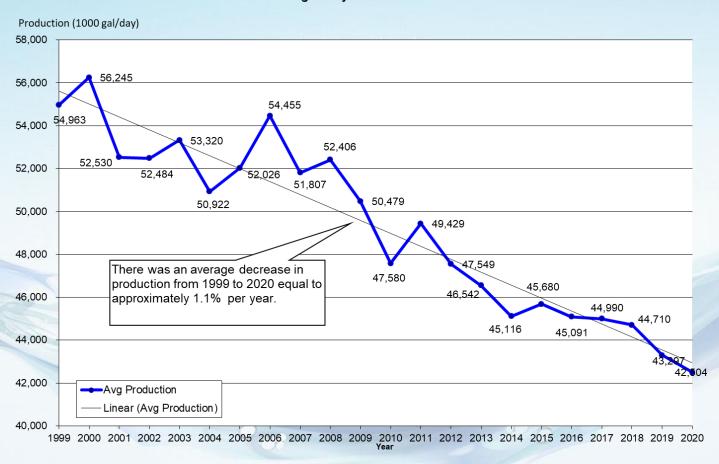
Revenue Trends & Assumptions





Declining Consumption Trend Continues

Average Daily Production Trend





FY 2022 Revenue Assumptions

Water Revenues Assumptions:

- > FY 2022 revenue based on billed consumption and conversion to cash receipts
- ➤ Billed consumption, excluding Wholesale minimum commitments, based on year-overyear 1% decline, adjustments made for COVID-19-related increased consumption and other known anomalies
- No increase assumed in the number of customers
- > FY 2022 revenues are based on existing rates and charges
- The FY 2022 revenues reflect an anticipated transition to monthly billing in the latter part of the fiscal year assumes "big bang" and fire service impacts
- ➤ Uncollectible factor remains at 2.25% with outside a year increased to \$1.3 million
- Wholesale revenue, with a minimum commitment, is based on the contract



Water Revenue Attribution (from Original FY 2021 Budget)

Key Takeaway: Primary driver is declining consumption trend

FY 2021 Water Revenue Original Budget	\$117,202
Billed Consumption - 1% Decline	(767)
Wholesale	(82)
Outside One Year	300
Fire Service	(20)
Other Net Changes	(4)
FY 2022 Budget	\$116,629
FY 2021 to FY 2022 Change	(\$573)



Water Revenue Attribution (from Revised FY 2021 Budget)

Key Takeaway: Primary driver is "returning to normal" consumption and cash receipt patterns

FY 2021 Water Revenue Revised Budget	\$101,381
COVID-19 Adjustments*	15,821
Billed Consumption - 1% Decline	(767)
Wholesale	(82)
Outside One Year	300
Fire Service	(147)
Other Net Changes	123
FY 2022 Budget	\$116,629
FY 2021 to FY 2022 Change	\$15,248

Expense Trends And Assumptions





FY 2022 O&M Expense Assumptions

- Total **payroll** slightly above the FY 2021 original budget, prior to vacancy factors
- ➤ Employee Benefits reflect anticipated medical expenses, including active vs. retiree mix. Pension and opeb contributions are based on the January 2021 valuation reports and other actuarial information
 - FY 2022 budgeted pension contribution assumes additional FY 2021 contribution
- Outside/Professional Services, consistent with FY 2021, are categorized into Business Requirements, Specialized Expertise, Specialized Expertise Project Related and Technology Related. Regulatory asset amortizations are in a separate category
- Maintenance and Repair includes routine maintenance and repairs. Refurbishment projects that extend the life of the equipment are included in the capital budget
 - The FY 2022 budget reflects a continued focus on required maintenance and repairs



O&M Expense Assumptions (Cont.)

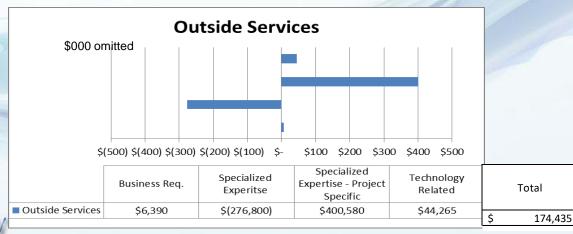
- ➤ The FY 2022 **pump power** budget reflects the generation pricing under the existing four year contract and anticipated increases in distribution pricing
 - Benefits of previous electric usage optimization are reflected
- ➤ Info Tech & Licensing & Maintenance Fees includes hosting costs and annual maintenance fees for SAP and several software applications
 - The main drivers of the FY 2022 budget are additional maintenance costs associated with technology projects
 - Anticipated price increases for annual maintenance fees are also included
- ➤ **G&A** for FY 2022 is higher than FY 2021 primarily due to computer/i-pad purchases, licenses and subscriptions, recruitment, and other small net changes



Original FY 2021 Budget to FY 2022 - O&M

Key Takeaway: FY 2022 budget consistent with target model scenario

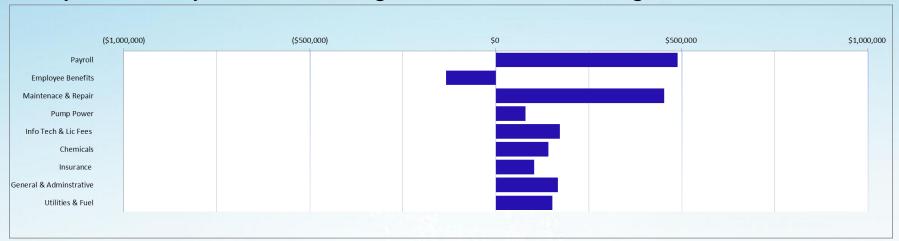


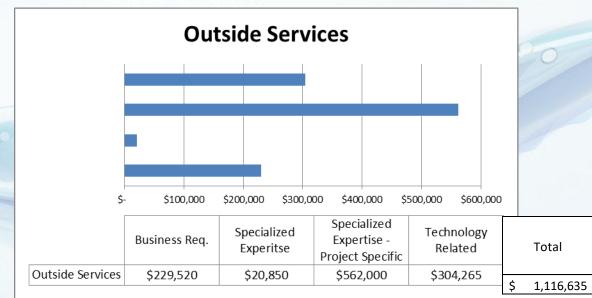




Revised Budget FY2021 to FY2022 - O&M

Key Takeaway: FY 2022 budget consistent with target model scenario







FY 2022 Other Assumptions

PILOT Payments:

- > Reflects proactive efforts
- ➤ Based on 10-1-2020 Grand List assessments and estimated mill rates

Debt Service:

- Favorable impact of prior refinancing, including 34th and 35th Series bonds
- ➤ Multiple DWSRF loans included in budget
- ➤ Water System Revenue Bond issuance w/upcoming rate application not included

Depreciation:

> \$6.5 million per last rate application



Maintenance Test

FY 2022 PROJECTED MAINTENANCE TEST

(000 omitted)

(000 offitted)			Original	F	Revised					
			FY 2021	F	Y 2021	F	Y 2021	F	FY 2022	
		<u>Budget</u>			<u>Budget</u>		Projected		Budget (a,b)	
Revenue:					· ·					
	Water Sales	\$	117,202	\$	101,381	\$	114,281	\$	116,629	
	Investment Income		1,323		986		265		150	
	BABs Subsidy		656		656		656		657	
	Other - net		7,038		6,302		6,738		7,154	
	Common Non-Core Investment		(200)		(200)		(225)		(250)	
	Total Revenue		126,019		109,125		121,715		124,340	
Less:										
	Operating & Maintenance Expenses		61,051		56,200		56,200		59,741	
	Common Non-Core Investment		(100)		(100)		-		-	
	Depreciation		6,500		6,500		6,500		6,500	
	PILOT		8,700		8,700		8,550		8,950	
	Net revenue available for Debt Service (A)	\$	49,868	\$	37,825	\$	50,465	\$	49,149	
	Debt service payments (C)	\$	43,768	\$	43,745	\$	43,293	\$	43,922	
	Debt service x 114% (B)	\$	49,896	\$	49,869	\$	49,354	\$	50,071	
	Difference (A-B) - Revenue Shortfall	\$	(28)	\$	(12,045)	\$	1,111	\$	(922)	
	Revenue from Rate Stabilization Fund (D)	\$	28	\$	12,045	\$	1,111	\$	922	
		Ψ		Ψ	114%	Ψ	117%	Ψ		
	Coverage (A+D/C)		114%						114%	
	Required Coverage		114%		114%		114%		114%	

⁽a) Does not reflect a planned rate application and therefore does not include add'l depreciation or debt service for capital program.

⁽b) FY2022 Budget includes an additional \$250k not included in O&M.



Opportunities & Vulnerabilities - FY 2022 Budget

- O&M vs. Non-O&M (primarily payroll and employee benefits)
- Vacancy Factors
- ➤ Medical claims experience, including retiree/active mix
- Pricing projections (IT license fees, chemicals, distribution)
- Outside services, especially specialized expertise, including project related
- Maintenance and repair, including weather related
- Other potential savings and vulnerabilities covering a broad range

Revenue:

- Weather
- Conversion to monthly billing
- ➤ Billing-to-cash conversion
- Other Revenues

gional Water Authority

Summary/Conclusions

- ➤ Anticipate FY 2021 will be the 11th consecutive year without a RSF draw
- Prudent steps taken due to COVID-19
- FY 2022 O&M budget at targeted model scenario
- Balance contributions among:
 - Construction fund
 - Growth fund
 - General fund
 - Pension plan contributions
- Multi-faceted cash collection program
- > Prudent cost management, including expenditures consistent with revenues projections
- Monitor PILOT assessments and take appropriate actions
- > Pursue DWSRF financing, interim financing and monitor refinancing opportunities
- ➤ Identify and pursue grant opportunities, especially related to capital projects
- Execute against strategic plan



Any Questions?



Appendix A - Revenues





Comparison of Billed Consumption

millions of gallons

	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Actual FY 2015	Actual FY 2016	Actual FY 2017	Actual FY 2018	Actual FY 2019	Actual FY 2020	Projected FY 2021	Budget FY 2022
					(in	millions of ga	llons)				
June	1,346	1,195	1,237	1,190	1,214	1,100	1,153	1,295	1,105	1,130	1,056
July	976	1,253	1,203	1,122	1,276	1,352	924	1,181	1,148	1,267	1,066
August	1,369	1,454	1,409	1,345	1,361	1,363	1,421	1,346	1,258	1,366	1,135
September	1,269	1,408	1,393	1,487	1,424	1,469	1,346	1,354	1,458	1,520	1,397
October	1,477	1,384	1,504	1,453	1,584	1,226	1,567	1,347	1,392	1,490	1,323
November	1,238	1,103	1,101	1,220	1,288	1,700	1,181	1,145	1,087	1,130	1,035
December	1,278	1,329	1,465	1,192	1,245	1,317	1,311	1,204	1,292	1,255	1,185
January	1,151	996	1,004	1,102	943	942	986	956	910	926	1,152
February	1,051	998	892	947	994	853	931	894	919	881	871
March	1,311	1,159	1,282	1,225	1,161	1,300	1,128	1,117	1,092	1,105	1,086
April	958	938	940	844	846	932	829	820	890	857	834
May	1,011	898	971	1,046	907	932	926	917	911	872	849
	14,435	14,115	14,401	14,173	14,243	14,486	13,703	13,576	13,462	13,799	12,988



Other Revenue Attribution (from Original FY 2021 Budget)

Key Takeaway: While approx. \$.1 million above the FY 2021 budget, the increase is approx. \$.4 million over the FY 2021 projection

FY 2021 Other Revenue Original Budget	\$7,038
Forestry	61
PipeSafe Suite	43
Recreation	37
Outside Lab Services	10
Other Net Changes	(35)
FY 2022 Other Revenue	\$7,154
FY 2021 to FY 2022 Change	\$116



Other Revenues Attribution (from Revised FY 2021 Budget)

Key Takeaway: Primary driver is other water charges

FY 2021 Other Revenues Revised Budget	\$6,302
Other Water Charges	638
Forestry	84
PipeSafe Suite	43
Outside Fleet Services	38
Recreation	32
Outside Lab Services	28
Other Net Changes	(11)
FY 2021 Revenues	\$7,154
FY 2021 to FY 2022 Change	\$853





Appendix B – Operating & Maintenance Expenses



Major Operating & Maintenance Categories

		(U	nder)/Over FY 202	21 (U	nder)/Over FY 2021
	FY 2021	FY2022	Budget Amount	Original FY 2021	Orginal Budget
Payroll	23,087,703	23,576,955	489,252	24,216,450	(639,495)
Employee Benefits	10,842,505	10,708,583	(133,922)	11,872,171	(1,163,588)
Outside Services	2,484,758	3,601,393	1,116,635	3,426,958	174,435
Maintenance & Repair	2,726,405	3,179,100	452,695	2,981,048	198,052
Pump Power	2,970,000	3,050,000	80,000	2,970,000	80,000
Info. Tech. Licensing & Maint Fee.	2,293,295	2,465,397	172,102	2,433,295	32,102
Chemical	1,855,053	1,996,500	141,447	1,877,053	119,447
Insurance Premiums	1,539,534	1,643,098	103,564	1,532,449	110,649
General & Administrative	1,346,592	1,513,307	166,715	1,475,649	37,658
Utilities & Fuel	1,253,079	1,405,247	152,168	1,322,278	82,969
All Other	5,801,100	6,601,775	800,489	6,943,258	(341,483)
The state of	56,200,024	59,741,356	3,541,145	61,050,609	(1,309,253)

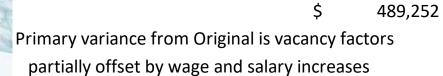


Payroll

(559,982)

\$

FY 2021 Revised Budget *	\$ 23,087,703
FY 2022 Budget *	23,576,955
Variance	\$ 489,252
FY 2021 Original Budget *	\$ 24,216,450
FY 2022 Budget *	23,576,955
Variance	\$ (639,495)
Variance from Revised FY 2021:	
Wage & salary increases/PFP	\$ 1,049,234



*O&M Payroll Only

HC Timing/Vacancies/Other





Employee Benefits

FY 2021 Revised Budget *	10,842,505
FY 2022 Budget *	10,708,583
Variance	(\$133,922)
FY 2021 Original Budget *	11,872,171
FY 2022 Budget *	10,708,583
Variance	(\$1,163,588)



Variance from Revised:

 Pension Contribution
 \$44,650

 OPEB Contribution
 (101,825)

 Medical/Life
 (48,036)

 Other Net
 (28,711)

 (133,922)

Primary add'l variance from Original is Pension

	Ratio - Employee	Ratio @ 90% Funded
Estimated	Benefits/Payroll	
Active w/pension & opeb	40%	31%
Active w/pension	33%	30%
Active w/o pension & opeb	27%	NA

Pension and veba for active using ARC



^{*} Represents only O&M Portion

Pump Power

Ford St. Pump Station

FY 2021 Budget	\$2,	970,000
FY 2022 Budget	3,	050,000
Variance	\$	80,000

No difference in FY2021 Revised vs. Original Budget

Variance attributed to:

 Reflects anticipated increases in distribution pricing. Our generation pricing is under contract for the next four years through December 2023



Chemicals

FY 2021 Revised Budget	\$ 1,855,053
FY 2022 Budget	1,996,500
Variance	\$ 141,447

FY 2021 Original Budget \$ 1,877,053 FY 2022 Budget <u>1,996,500</u> Variance \$ 119,447

Whitney WTP



Variance attributed to:

■ The FY2022 budget reflects anticipated pricing increases



Outside/Professional Services

FY 2021 Revised Budget	2,484,758
FY 2022 Budget	3,601,393
Variance	\$ 1,116,635
FY 2021 Original Budget	3,426,958
FY 2022 Budget	3,601,393
Variance	\$ 174,435

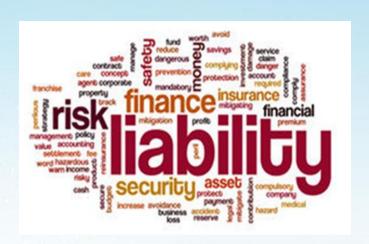
Business Requirements	\$ 229,520
Specialized Expertise	20,850
Specialized Expertise - Project Specialized	562,000
Technology Related	304,265
	\$ 1,116,635
Business Requirements	\$ 6,390
Specialized Expertise	(276,800)
Specialized Expertise - Project Specific	400,580
Technology Related	44,265
	\$ 174,435



Insurance Premiums

FY 2022 Budget \$ 1,643,098 FY 2021 Budget <u>1,539,534</u> Variance \$ 103,564

FY 2021 Original Budget \$1,643,098 FY 2022 Budget \$1,532,449 Variance \$110,649



Variance attributed to:

The FY 2022 budget is based on known and projected costs associated with all insurance lines, including the Captive program.

Pricing of non-Captive lines was marketed and negotiated. The year-over-year increase is primarily due to property and umbrella insurance and to a lesser degree cyber insurance. This is based on the market environment.

*O&M Only



Information Tech. Licensing & Mtc. Fees

FY 2022 Budget	\$ 2	2,465,397
FY 2021 Revised Budget	<u>2</u>	2,293,295
Variance	\$	172,102

FY 2022 Budget \$2,465,397
FY 2021 Original Budget 2,433,295

Variance attributed to:

Cyber	\$ 34,600
SĆADA	25,000
Add'l projects	130,200
Other Net	(17,798)
	\$172.102



The main drivers of the increase are the additional maintenance costs associated with technology projects and cyber security. Anticipated maintenance fee price increases are also included.



Maintenance & Repairs

FY 2022 Budget \$3,179,100 FY 2021 Revised Budget 2,726,405

Variance \$ 452,695

FY 2022 Budget \$3,179,100

FY 2021 Original Budget <u>2,981,048</u>

198,052



Variance attributed to:

The FY 2022 budget reflects a continued focus on required maintenance and repairs



Representative Policy Board Consumer Affairs Committee South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Minutes of the March 15, 2021 Meeting

The regular meeting of the Consumer Affairs Committee of the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District ("Committee") took place on Monday, March 15, 2021, via remote access. Committee members present were N. Campbell, S. Mongillo, F. Pepe, and A. Rescigno.

Also present were: K. Curseaden (Authority), J. Donofrio (Office of Consumer Affairs), L. Bingaman, D. Doyle, L. Gonzalez, R. Kowalski, Jeanine Reckdenwald, Premjith Lakshman Singh (RWA), and J. Slubowski (RPB Staff).

Chair Mongillo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. He reviewed the safety moment distributed to members.

On motion made by Mr. Pepe, seconded by Ms. Campbell, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the minutes of its February 22, 2021 meeting, as presented.

Mr. Doyle, RWA's Manager of Corporate Communications, provided an update of the RWA's Community Liaison Program, which included:

- Objectives
- Assignments
- Communication Schedule

Mr. Doyle stated that this is a new communications program which began last fall. The next round of town meetings are expected to take place in the summer. The RWA continues to work with RPB members to partner with community towns to communicate work projects, emergencies, and upcoming events.

Discussion took place regarding how information was received, types of information provided to towns, responsiveness, South Central Regional Council of Government communications, and website sharing.

Mr. Singh stated that the program is also based on RWA's strategic plan. Mr. Doyle is currently working on strategic projects such as a communications plan for the monthly billing project. He is reaching out to local towns to educate them about the program and making sure that the RWA is providing useful information.

At 5:55 p.m., Mr. Doyle withdrew from the meeting.

Attorney Donofrio, OCA, reported on one pending billing issue. The customer is a Milford resident who contacted the RPB Milford Representative about a billing issue he had with a rental property he owns in West Haven. Attorney Donofrio spoke with the customer and communicated the information to the RWA. He is waiting for the RWA to respond.

Ms. Gonzalez, the RWA's Director of Service, reported that the matter is under currently being investigated by the Escalation Manager.

Attorney Donofrio will report the outcome to the committee at its next meeting.

On motion made by Mr. Pepe, seconded by Ms. Rescigno, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the OCA's December 2020 billing (\$1,687.50).

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UNAPPROVED DRAFT

The next regular meeting of the Committee will be on April 19, 2021 at 5:	30 p.m. The meeting will be a
joint meeting with the Land Use Committee to review the RWA's FY 2022 p	roposed budget.

At 6:01 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Stephen Mongillo, Chairman