

Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District
Via Remote Access**

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

- I Safety Moment
- II Approval of Minutes – December 16, 2021 meeting
- III Communications
 - A. Standard Mileage Rate - Effective January 1, 2022
 - B. RPB Dashboard Quarterly Report
- IV Items for Consideration and Action
 - A. Finance Committee's recommendation regarding completeness and process of the Authority's Application and associated financing for the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant Clarifiers, Recycle Pump Station, and Concrete Restoration Project and the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) and Electrical Improvements Project
 - B. Representative Policy Board Fourth Quarter 2021 Compensation
- V Reports
 - A. Finance Committee
 - B. Land Use Committee
 - C. Consumer Affairs Committee
 - D. Authority/Management
- VI Adjourn

<p>**Members of the public may attend the meeting via remote access. For information on attending the meeting and to view meeting documents, please visit https://www.rwater.com/about-us/our-boards/board-meetings-minutes?year=2022&category=1435&meettype=1460&page=. For questions, contact the board office at 203-401-2515.</p>

Topic: RPB Regular Meeting

Time: Jan 27, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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SAFETY MOMENT

8 TIPS FOR EMAIL SAFETY

1. Don't open emails from someone you don't know or trust.
2. Avoid sending any sensitive information over e-mail.
(passwords, bank account numbers, SSN)
3. If you receive an attachment from someone you don't know, don't open it. Delete it immediately.
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 Regional Water Authority

**Representative Policy Board
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District
Minutes of December 16, 2021 Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”) of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, December 16, 2021, via remote access. Chair Ricozzi presided.

PRESENT

RPB

Ansonia	Thomas P. Clifford III
Beacon Falls	Peter Betkoski
Branford	Mario Ricozzi
Cheshire	Timothy Slocum
Guilford	Charles Havrda
Hamden	Stephen Mongillo
Killingworth	Jamie Mowat Young
Madison	Joseph A. Oslander
Milford	Richard Smith
New Haven	Naomi Campbell
North Branford	Peter DeSantis
North Haven	Anthony P. Rescigno
Orange	Jasper J. Jaser
Prospect	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Seymour	Mike Horbal
West Haven	T. Gregory Malloy
Woodbridge	Mark Levine
Governor’s Rep	Vincent M. Marino

Absent

Bethany	Brian Eitzer
Derby	Frank Pepe
East Haven	Michelle Verderame

Regional Water Authority

David Borowy
Anthony DiSalvo
Kevin Curseaden
Catherine LaMarr
Suzanne Sack

Management

Larry L. Bingaman
Jim Courchaine
Rochelle Kowalski
Edward O. Norris III
Jeanine Reckdenwald
Premjith Lakshman Singh
Sunny Lakshminarayanan

Office of Consumer Affairs

Louis Dagostine, Esq.

Staff

Jennifer Slubowski

Call to Order

Chair Ricozzi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Safety Moment

Chair Ricozzi reviewed the Safety Moment handout distributed to members.

Minutes

On motion made by Mr. Jaser, seconded by Mr. Malloy, the RPB approved the minutes of its November 18, 2021 meeting as distributed, with 76 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Absent	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (11)	Absent	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Absent	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye

East Haven (6) Absent

No. Branford (8) Aye

Gov. Rep. (1) Absent

Communications

Chair Ricoszi stated that the FY 2023 proposed budget review meetings have been scheduled. The Consumer Affairs Committee/Land Use Committee Joint meeting is on Monday, April 18, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., and the RPB Finance Committee meeting is on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. RPB members may attend either meeting.

He stated that a billed consumption presentation was given to members of the Finance Committee at its December meeting. Slides from the presentation were distributed to all RPB members. Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Vice President of Financial Reporting & Analysis, is available to answer any questions and will be available to present the information to the Consumer Affairs Committee, if requested.

Chair Ricoszi reminded members of the transition of board meetings from Zoom to Microsoft Teams. If members have not scheduled a test meeting, they should contact the board office to schedule a time.

He also reminded members that Conflict of Interest forms are overdue, members should submit forms to the board office.

Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Slocum, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported that the committee met earlier in the week and received an update from management on the RWA's billed consumption by fiscal year, class, and month and the committee received an update on RPB approved projects. The next meeting is on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

At 6:39 p.m., Messrs. Marino and Smith entered the meeting.

Land Use Committee – Mr. Betkoski, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported on the committee meeting earlier in the month. He stated that the committee received a deer hunt summary update from management. The committee also received a land use update and approved the special meeting date for the review the FY 2023 proposed budget. The next meeting is on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Mr. Mongillo, Chair of the RPB Consumer Affairs Committee, reported that the committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. The Committee will receive a presentation from management of RWA's Customer Care improvements and CIS timeline.

Committee members acknowledged Ted Norris, the RWA's Vice President of Asset Management, and noted his contribution to the boards and thanked him for his years of service.

Authority/Management – Mr. Borowy, Chair of the Authority, reported on the Authority meeting earlier in the day. He stated that the Authority also met as the Audit-Risk Committee and the Commercial Business Committee.

Mr. Curseaden, Chair of the RWA's Commercial Business Committee reported on the committee meeting earlier in the day. The committee met with management in executive session to discuss potential transactions, receive an update on other products and services, and discuss business strategies. The committee also reviewed KPIs.

Ms. LaMarr, Chair of the RWA's Audit-Risk Committee reported on the committee meeting earlier in the day. The committee met in executive session to discuss cybersecurity matters and received a risk management update from management.

Mr. Borowy reported that at the Authority meeting earlier in the day the Authority voted to elect officers for the upcoming term. Mr. Borowy was elected as Chairman for a two-year term, Mr. Curseaden was elected as Vice Chair for a one-year term, and Ms. LaMarr was elected as Secretary-Treasurer for a one-year term.

He also reported that the Authority approved an application for recommendation to the RPB for the LGWTP project.

Ms. Reckdenwald provided an update on the status of COVID at the RWA and associated planning.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President and Chief Executive Officer, reported that Standard & Poor's Rating Services and Moody's Investor Services affirmed the RWA's ratings of AA- and Aa3, and a stable outlook. The ratings were requested as a result of the upcoming Thirty-Sixth Series Bond issuance that includes new funds, the current refunding, and delayed delivery bonds. In addition, he stated that after the bond pricing, which took place yesterday, the new money would have an interest rate of 2.73%, lower than expected. The lower rate will be reflected in the upcoming rate increase that is effective in January 2022.

He stated that at the Authority meeting earlier in the day the members received an update on monthly billing, which will be effective January 2022.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President and Chief Executive Office, reviewed revenues, operating and maintenance expenses for the month ended November 30, 2021 and stated the projected maintenance test for FY 2022 is 114%, with no shortfall. He reported the projection reflects the higher than anticipated billed consumption, a small reduction in the anticipated FY 2022 debt service payments, and reflects the one time impact associated with the conversation to monthly billing. Mr. Bingaman noted that there is still uncertainty regarding the short and long-term impacts of the pandemic, and associated variants, including on employment levels and customers' ability to pay. He also noted that the report does not reflect changes associated with the rate application.

He also reported that raw water storage levels as of December 13, 2021, were 84%, compared to the long-term average of 72%.

RPB members congratulated the leadership team for the bond rating classifications and the RWA's strong financial position.

At 7:08 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Havrda, Secretary



IRS issues standard mileage rates for 2022

IR-2021-251, December 17, 2021

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service today issued the 2022 optional standard mileage rates used to calculate the deductible costs of operating an automobile for business, charitable, medical or moving purposes.

Beginning on January 1, 2022, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car (also vans, pickups or panel trucks) will be:

- 58.5 cents per mile driven for business use, up 2.5 cents from the rate for 2021,
- 18 cents per mile driven for medical, or moving purposes for qualified active-duty members of the Armed Forces, up 2 cents from the rate for 2021 and
- 14 cents per mile driven in service of charitable organizations; the rate is set by statute and remains unchanged from 2021.

The standard mileage rate for business use is based on an annual study of the fixed and variable costs of operating an automobile. The rate for medical and moving purposes is based on the variable costs.

It is important to note that under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, taxpayers cannot claim a miscellaneous itemized deduction for unreimbursed employee travel expenses. Taxpayers also cannot claim a deduction for moving expenses, unless they are members of the Armed Forces on active duty moving under orders to a permanent change of station. For more details see [Moving Expenses for Members of the Armed Forces](#).

Taxpayers always have the option of calculating the actual costs of using their vehicle rather than using the standard mileage rates.

Taxpayers can use the standard mileage rate but must opt to use it in the first year the car is available for business use. Then, in later years, they can choose either the standard mileage rate or actual expenses. Leased vehicles must use the standard mileage rate method for the entire lease period (including renewals) if the standard mileage rate is chosen.

[Notice 2021-03](#) [PDF](#), contains the optional 2022 standard mileage rates, as well as the maximum automobile cost used to calculate the allowance under a fixed and variable rate (FAVR) plan. In addition, the notice provides the maximum fair market value of employer-provided automobiles first made available to employees for personal use in calendar year 2022 for which employers may use the fleet-average valuation rule in or the vehicle cents-per-mile valuation rule.

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Representative Policy Board
Dashboard Metric - 2Q FY22

Metrics	Quarter ended 11/30/20 (2Q FY 2021)	Quarter ended 5/31/21 (4Q FY 2021)	Quarter ended 8/31/21 (1Q FY 2022)	Quarter ended 11/30/21 (2Q FY 2022)
Customer/Stakeholders				
<i>Combined Customer Satisfaction & Reputation (Note 1)</i>	Target: 96% +/-2%	Target: 96% +/-2%	Target: 96% +/-2%	Target: 96% +/-2%
	Results: 93.1%*	Results: 93.1%*	Results: 93.1%*	Results: 93.1%*
	*Period ending March 2020, most recent available	*Period ending March 2020, most recent available	*Period ending March 2020, most recent available	*Period ending March 2020, most recent available
<i>Underlying Credit Rating</i>	S&P rating AA- , affirmed 10/2019	S&P rating AA- , affirmed 10/2019	S&P rating AA- , affirmed 10/2019	S&P rating AA- , affirmed 12/2021
	Moody's rating Aa3 , affirmed 10/2019	Moody's rating Aa3 , affirmed 10/2019	Moody's rating Aa3 , affirmed 10/2019	Moody's rating Aa3 , affirmed 12/2021
<i>Water Rates</i>	Update to be provided with the next Official Statement	Update to be provided with the next Official Statement	Update to be provided with the next Official Statement	Update included in Preliminary Official Statement is attached
Financial Metrics (Note 2)				
<i>Accrued Metered Water Revenues to Budget (000 omitted)</i>	Budget: \$54.540 million	Budget: \$102.878 million	Budget: \$28.384 million	Budget: \$55.461 million
	Budget Org: \$56.028 million	Budget Org: \$104.712 million	NA	NA
	Result: \$58.581 million	Result: \$108.012 million	Result: \$30.324 million	Result: \$55.782 million
<i>Other Net Revenues to Budget</i>	Budget: \$2.753 million	Budget: \$5.734 million	Budget: \$1.409 million	Budget: \$2.851 million
	Result: \$2.932 million	Result: \$5.667 million	Result: \$1.470 million	Result: \$2.863 million
<i>O&M Expenditures to Budget (Note 2)</i>	Budget: \$27.582 million	Budget: \$56.200 million	Budget: \$14.750 million	Budget: \$29.562 million
	Budget Org.: \$29.915	Budget Org.: \$61.051	NA	NA
	Result: \$25.741 million	Result: \$55.054 million	Result: \$13.335 million	Result: \$26.844 million
<i>Capital Expenditures to Budget (Note 3)</i>	Budget: \$9.885 million	Budget: \$19.281 million	Budget: \$4.749 million	Budget: \$12.190 million
	Result: \$7.126 million	Result: \$18.550 million	Result: \$3.986 million	Result: \$10.248 million
<i>Cash Collections (Water and Fire Service)</i>	Budget: \$43.30 million	Budget: \$101.381 million	Budget: \$30.247 million	Budget: \$59.677 million
	Budget Org: \$60.23 million	Budget Org: \$117.202 million	NA	NA
	Result: \$61.80 million	Result: \$117.333 million	Result: \$32.896 million	Result: \$61.713 million
<i>Coverage</i>	Budget: 1.14 w/draw	Budget: 1.14 w/draw	Budget: 1.14 w/draw	Budget: 1.14 w/draw
	Projected: 1.14 w/draw	Projected: 1.28 w/o draw	Projected: 1.14 w/o draw	Projected: 1.14 w/o draw
<i>Draw Requirement</i>	Budget: \$12.045 million	Budget: \$12.045 million	Budget: \$922 thousand	Budget: \$922 thousand
	Projected: \$0.6 million	Projected: \$0 million	Projected: \$0 million	Projected: \$0 million

Representative Policy Board
Dashboard Metric - 2Q FY22

Metrics	Quarter ended 11/30/20 (2Q FY 2021)	Quarter ended 5/31/21 (4Q FY 2021)	Quarter ended 8/31/21 (1Q FY 2022)	Quarter ended 11/30/21 (2Q FY 2022)
System Metrics				
<i>Average Daily Production (Draft) to Budget (MG/D)/Prior Year (Note 4)</i>	Prior Year: 47.106 MGD Result: 50.707 MGD	Prior Year: 42.504 MGD Result: 45.209 MGD	Prior Year: 56.883 MGD Result: 53.416 MGD	Prior Year: 50.707 MGD Result: 48.344 MGD
<i>Disinfection By-products (5)</i>	Target: 90%	Target: 90%	Target: 90%	Target: 100%
	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*	Result: 100%*
	* As of Sept. 30, 2020, updated	* As of Mar. 31, 2021, updated	* As of June 30, 2021, updated	* As of September 30, 2021, updated
	quarterly based on calendar year	quarterly based on calendar year	quarterly based on calendar year	quarterly based on calendar year
<i>Net Unaccounted For Water (annualized)</i>	Target: 10.0% Result: 10.97% for the annualized period of Sept. 2019 to August 2020	Target: 10.0% Result: 11.88% for the annualized period of April 2020 to March 2021	Target: 10.0% Result: 11.64% for the annualized period of June 2020 to May 2021	Target: 10.0% Result: 11.73% for the annualized period of Sept. 2020 to August 2021
<i>Reservoir Levels (% full)</i>	67% vs. 66% LTA	97% vs. 93% LTA	92% vs. 74% LTA	85% vs. 66% LTA

Notes:

Note 1: Metric is Northeast Average for Customer Billing & Payment

Note 2: Excludes impact of governmental accounting standards for pension and opeb and may include expenses from non-revenue fund sources

Note 3: Excludes State and Redevelopment and contingency. FY 2021 and FY 2022 also excludes capital funded by Growth Fund

Note 4: Fiscal 2021 and FY 2022 is vs. prior year

Note 5: Fiscal 2022 target is 100% representing that tests are at least 10% below the maximum drinking water thresholds

Comparison of Typical Quarterly Water Bills (a)						
(in \$)						
Quarterly Water Consumption in Cubic Feet (b)	Quarterly Water Consumption in Cubic Feet(b)					
	2,500	10,000	50,000	100,000	500,000	2,000,000
South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority	171	502	2,226	4,236	20,312	80,597
Connecticut Municipal Water Utilities:						
Hartford Metropolitan District Commission						
Customers Within District	146	450	2,258	4,283	20,483	81,233
Customers Outside District	197	500	2,820	4,845	21,045	81,795
New Britain Water Department						
Customers Within New Britain	89	317	1,640	3,159	15,311	60,881
Customers Outside New Britain	152	539	2,787	5,369	26,028	103,497
Customers Within District	41	139	753	1,407	6,643	26,278
Customers Outside District	58	196	1,063	1,980	9,310	36,799
City of Waterbury	78	277	1,337	2,662	13,262	53,012
Investor-Owned Water Utilities located within Connecticut:						
Aquarion Water Company						
Eastern Division	159	507	2,475	3,618	12,765	47,066
Eastern Division (United) (c)	172	557	2,649	4,958	23,429	92,693
Western Division	135	411	2,072	3,216	12,362	46,663
Connecticut Water Company	248	928	3,294	6,267	30,055	119,260
Water Utilities in the Northeast:						
Boston, MA (Municipal)	152	673	3,694	7,577	39,860	161,147
New Jersey American Water (d)	199	617	3,262	6,050	28,350	111,974
Suez, New Jersey	172	528	2,797	5,172	24,171	95,416
Aqua America, PA (e)	299	1,059	4,150	7,874	41,469	136,122
Providence, RI (Municipal)	132	436	2,185	4,301	21,231	84,717
Suez, New York (f)	389	1,644	4,898	5,547	31,478	128,721
Springfield, MA (Municipal)	113	427	2,108	4,203	20,963	83,813

(a) Data as of November 6, 2021

(b) Bills computed for 5/8" meter service up to 10,000 cubic feet and for two inch meter for commercial service above 10,000 cubic feet where responding utilities made service class differentiation. Not all utilities have the same rate block structure.

(c) Formerly known as United Water, Connecticut

(d) Formerly known as United Water New Jersey and Elizabethtown Water Company, NJ

(e) Formerly known as Philadelphia Suburban Water Company, PA

(f) Formerly known as United Water New York

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

Proposed Resolutions

January 27, 2022

(Finance Committee's recommendation re Authority's Application for the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant Clarifiers, Recycle Pump Station, and Concrete Restoration Project and the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) and Electrical Improvements Project and associated financing resolution)

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, on December 17, 2021, filed an Application with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant Clarifiers, Recycle Pump Station, and Concrete Restoration Project and the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) and Electrical Improvements Project (the "Application") and associated financing; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the Representative Policy Board reviewed the Application and the associated financing resolution and recommended that the Application be accepted by the RPB as complete and the financing resolution be accepted for consideration; and **WHEREAS**, the Finance Committee recommended that a public hearing be conducted by a Presiding Member; and

WHEREAS, the RPB accepts said Application as complete and schedules said Application for a public hearing in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB accepts the Authority's Application and associated financing resolution for consideration and determines to hold a public hearing, to be conducted by Jamie Mowat Young (Killingworth), Presiding Member, on February 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., via remote access; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairperson is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules of Practice, as amended.

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD - QUARTERLY COMPENSATION - 2021																																								
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Solar Savings and Program Update

Presentation to:
The Regional Water Authority

January 27, 2022

Amy Velasquez
Environmental Compliance & Sustainability Lead



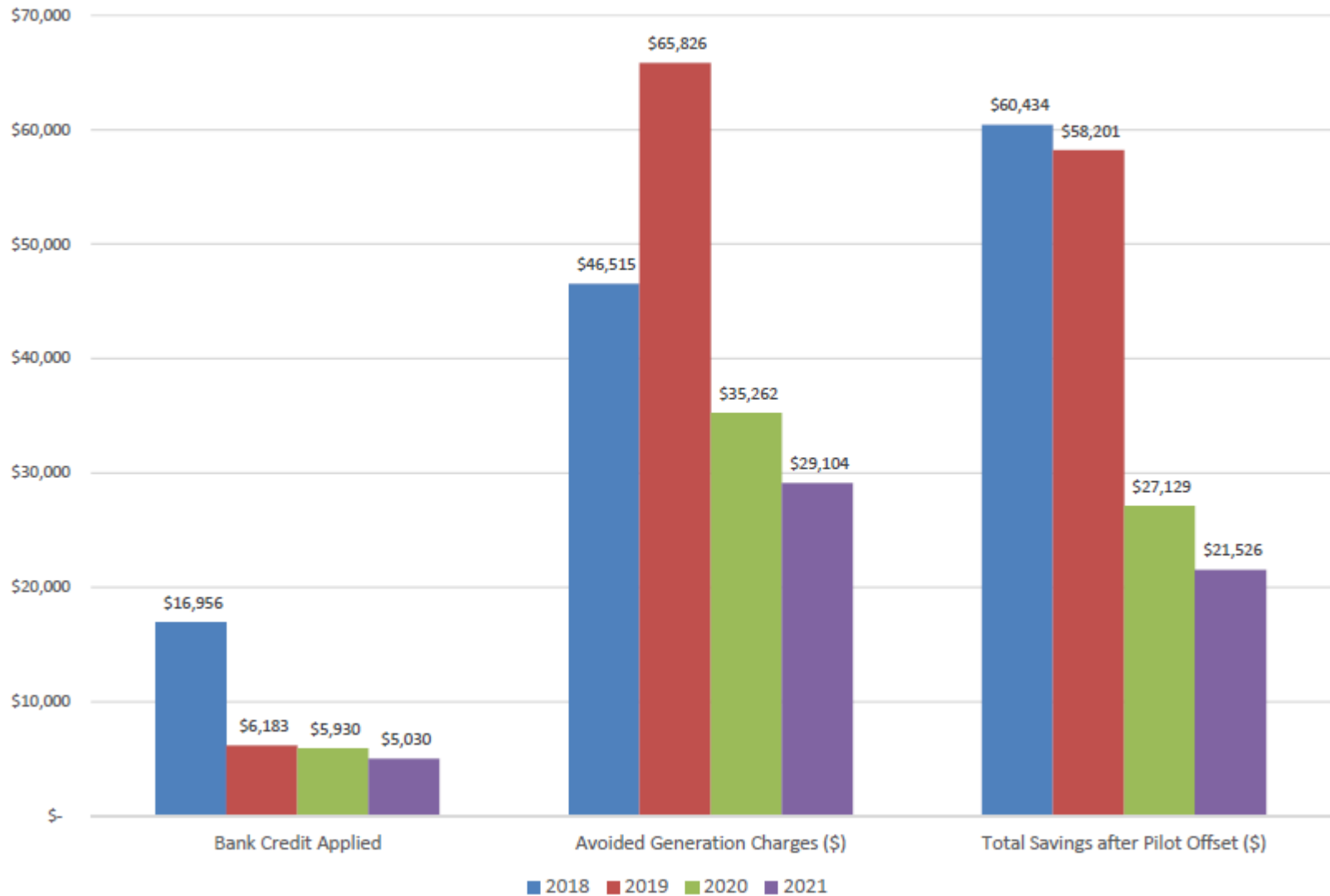
North Sleeping Giant Solar Array



North Sleeping Giant Solar Array Facts

- 2015 begin operation of 1 Megawatt (MW) solar array
- Covers approximately 5 acres
- Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)
- Site was not prime forest
- Produced ~1.4 MW in 2015 or 108% site energy

NSG Solar Savings 2018 - 2021



Virtual Net Metering

- Surplus solar production can be assigned to another site's meter
- Restricted to State, Agricultural and Municipal customers
- Since 2011, RWA has supported legislation to include political subdivisions as a host
- CWWA supported legislation adding private and public water utilities

Next Steps

- Virtual Net Metering still restricted to State, Agricultural and Municipal
- Many benefits to revised solar program
- Evaluating several RWA sites for feasibility
- Purchasing best option but large capital investment