



Notice and Agenda of a Regular Meeting Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

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Participating agencies:

City of Banning	High Valleys Water District
City of Beaumont	Mission Springs Water District
Banning Heights Mutual Water Company	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District	Riverside County - EDA / RCFCD
Cabazon Water District	San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency
City of Calimesa	South Mesa Water Company
	Yucaipa Valley Water District

SGPRWA 2026-27	Officeholder	Agency
Chairperson	Daniel Slawson	Beaumont-Cherry Valley WD
Vice Chairperson	Stan Houghton	High Valleys Water District
Secretary		Beaumont-Cherry Valley WD
Treasurer		Riv Co Flood Control & WCD

1. Call to Order - Roll Call
2. Public Comments

3. Consent Calendar
 - a. Review of Alliance Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2026
(No vote necessary – Minutes may be approved by consensus)
4. Consider revision of the SGPRWA Best Practices
 - Review duties and appointment of the Alliance Secretary
5. Update: Preparation of 2025-2026 Urban Water Management Plans
6. Comments and Updates by the Elected Official or Agency Representative

	Agency – MOU Members	Representative	Alternate
A	City of Banning	Leroy Miller	Richard Royce
B	City of Beaumont	David Fenn	Jessica Voigt
C	Banning Heights Mutual Water Company		
D	Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District	Daniel Slawson	Lona Williams
E	Cabazon Water District	Taffy Brock	Knala Keith
F	City of Calimesa	Edgar Garcia	
G	High Valleys Water District	Sam Hughes	Stan Houghton
H	Mission Springs Water District	Amber Duff	Ted Mayrhofen
I	Morongo Band of Mission Indians	Anthony Mendoza	John Covington
J	Riverside County EDA / Flood Control	Jason Uhley	Julianna Adams
K	San Geronio Pass Water Agency	Robert Ybarra	Mickey Valdivia
L	South Mesa Water Company	David Armstrong	
M	Yucaipa Valley Water District	Joyce McIntire	

7. Comments and Updates from Other Agencies
 - A. Desert Water Agency
 - B. Beaumont Basin Watermaster
BBWM meets quarterly. Agendas and Minutes can be found here:
<https://beaumontbasinwatermaster.org/home-2/meetings-and-agenda/>
8. Suggested Presentations and Topics for Future Meetings
 - a. Discussion Regarding Funding for the Regional Cabazon/Banning Backbone Project
 - b. PFAS
 - c. Lead and Copper Rule
9. Future Meeting Dates
Meeting time is 4th Wednesday of odd months at 5 p.m. | Committee is dark in November
 - January 27, 2027
 - March 24, 2027
 - May 26, 2027 (annual business meeting)
 - July 28, 2027
 - Sept. 22, 2027
10. Adjournment

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance
July 22, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**

Meeting Attendees

Agency – MOU Members	Representative	
City of Banning	Art Vela Shah Nawaz	Present
City of Beaumont	Thaxton Van Belle	Present
Banning Heights Mutual Water Company		
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District	Daniel Slawson Dan Jagers Lynda Kerney	Present
Cabazon Water District	Taffy Brock	Present
City of Calimesa		Absent
High Valleys Water District		Absent
Mission Springs Water District	Amber Duff	Present
Morongo Band of Mission Indians	Anthony Mendoza	Present
Riverside County EDA / Flood Control	Julianna Adams	Present
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency	Lance Eckhart Robert Ybarra Larry Smith James Tickemyer Jagger Mattox	Present
South Mesa Water Company		Absent
Yucaipa Valley Water District		Absent
Other Agencies	Representative	
Desert Water Agency		Absent
Beaumont Basin Watermaster	Dan Jagers	Present

Members of the Public in Attendance: None

1. Call to Order - Roll Call

Chairman Daniel Slawson called to order the regular meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance at 5:00 p.m. Roll call was conducted of the attendees and is reflected in the list of meeting participants above.

2. Public Comments: None.

3. Consent Calendar

The Consent Calendar was approved by consensus.

A. Approval of Alliance Meeting Minutes from May 27, 2026

4. Outreach Letters / Requests for Updates sent June 29, 2026

Chair Slawson reported that, as directed at the previous meeting, outreach letters were sent to all member agencies, including agencies with limited recent participation, to confirm representative and contact information and encourage continued participation.

Mr. Mendoza requested that Morongo Councilmember Martin be added to future mailing lists.

5. Consider revision of the SGPRWA Best Practices

Dan Jagers summarized the proposed Best Practices revisions, noting that the document was last updated in 2018 and that Alliance operations have since evolved, including the transition to every-other-month meetings primarily conducted by Zoom. He explained that the draft also addresses agency representation, officer responsibilities, meeting administration, and the Secretary role. The primary policy issue is the proposed approach to quorum and participating member agencies. He emphasized that the revisions are intended to strengthen the Alliance while continuing to welcome all member agencies consistent with its collaborative purpose. Jagers also clarified that the draft was prepared from the BCVWD perspective and should be reviewed by the other Alliance members before further consideration.

Chair Slawson recommended allowing members additional time to review the proposed revisions and returning the item for discussion in September. Taffy Brock and Amber Duff indicated that they had reviewed the material and found the proposed revisions acceptable. Mr. Mendoza requested sufficient time for the Morongo Band to complete its internal review and provide any comments following its August 25 Tribal Council meeting. Members agreed that comments could be submitted by September 14 for incorporation into the September meeting discussion materials. Jagers also requested that member agencies review their representative information on the Alliance website and provide any necessary corrections. The Alliance agreed to continue consideration of the Best Practices revisions at the September 23 meeting.

6. Update: Preparation of 2025-2026 Urban Water Management Plans

Lance Eckhart reported that the Urban Water Management Plans had been submitted and explained that the five-year planning process demonstrates the region's ability to meet projected water demands approximately 25 years into the future. He characterized the regional water supply portfolio as healthy and stated that water supply should not be a limiting factor for anticipated growth and development. He credited regional collaboration, water purchases and storage, and future projects such as Sites Reservoir with strengthening long-term reliability.

Jaggers discussed BCVWD's experience through recent drought cycles and noted substantial increases in stored water despite continued development and relatively stable groundwater extraction. He emphasized the importance of using realistic demand projections that account for conservation requirements without underestimating future needs. Eckhart agreed that regional agencies have successfully acquired and stored water both locally and outside the region, providing a strong supply position for the future.

Mendoza added that the Morongo Band continues to emphasize conservation and projects generally steady future use from the Cabazon Basin. Although a new well is being developed, the Tribe does not anticipate excessive additional groundwater use, and its projections remain consistent with anticipated future conditions.

7. Comments and Updates by the Elected Official or Agency Representative

Fire Hydrant Theft

The representatives discussed a growing regional problem involving theft of fire hydrants and other brass and copper water-system components. Brock reported continued hydrant thefts in Cabazon and said the District had fabricated locking devices in an effort to deter theft. Jaggers reported similar losses at BCVWD, particularly in less-traveled areas, and explained that the District has begun replacing higher-risk brass hydrants with less valuable ductile iron models. He noted that brass hydrants cost more than \$6,000 each and that repeated thefts create significant replacement and labor costs ultimately borne by ratepayers. Banning representatives reported four or five recent hydrant thefts, as well as theft of brass and copper components from meter boxes and other facilities.

Mendoza described Morongo's previous experience with widespread hydrant theft and said tack-welding hydrant bolts had provided some deterrence, although Jaggers noted that BCVWD has tried similar measures without sustained success. Duff reported that Mission Springs had lost nearly 25 hydrants since January and had also experienced significant theft of construction equipment, solar panels, and electrical cable. She suggested that regional agencies compile information on the extent of hydrant theft to help demonstrate the need for security measures in addition to regulatory requirements.

Members discussed possible deterrence and enforcement strategies, including locks, welding, less valuable hydrant materials, tracking devices, public outreach, and coordination with local law enforcement. Local recyclers reportedly do not accept stolen hydrants, and members discussed uncertainty about whether the equipment is being transported elsewhere for recycling or potentially resold and reused. Adams suggested exploring regional coordination with police and sheriff's departments, and members generally agreed that increased awareness and communication among water agencies, law enforcement, and the public could help address the problem.

A. City of Banning – Art Vela and Shaw Nawaz reported:

- Water and wastewater operations continue as usual.
- Reminded agencies of the approaching deadline for filing PFAS-related claims and noted that an agency does not necessarily need to have detected PFAS in its water to file a claim.

B. City of Beaumont – Thaxton Van Belle: No report

C. Banning Heights Mutual Water Company – Absent.

D. Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District – Daniel Slawson and Dan Jagers reported:

- Completed drilling of replacement Wells 1A and 2A and is preparing to award a contract for another well near the District's recharge facilities. Additional wells are also planned as part of the District's strategy for addressing Cr(VI).
- Continued evaluation of Cr(VI) alternatives with an emphasis on identifying the most cost-effective approach while maintaining water supply reliability.
- Expressed confidence in regional water supplies and their ability to support continued economic growth, and acknowledged the San Geronio Pass Water Agency's coordination and assistance with regional supplies and Urban Water Management Plan preparation.

E. Cabazon Water District – Taffy Brock reported:

- The District is purchasing a new backhoe to replace aging equipment.
- The water standby assessment will remain unchanged for the year.

F. City of Calimesa – Absent.

G. High Valleys Water District – Absent

H. Mission Springs Water District – Amber Duff reported:

- The Board unanimously approved moving forward with a modernized headquarters and critical services center at the existing Horton wastewater treatment plant site. The project will include administrative and operational facilities designed to accommodate up to approximately 85 employees.
- The approximately \$38 million project will also include water lines and pumps, solar parking, and a secondary building and will be funded through a combination of financing and cash.
- Four wells are being returned to service and were anticipated to be online by mid-August. The District also continues routine pipeline, pump, and other system work in preparation for summer demands.

I. Morongo Band of Mission Indians – Anthony Mendoza reported:

- Work on two new well sites is substantially complete, with the projects awaiting Southern California Edison infrastructure and electrical service.

- Environmental and other project requirements have been completed, and progress is currently dependent upon Edison's schedule.

J. Riverside County EDA / Flood Control – Julianna Adams reported:

- In anticipation of a projected strong El Niño winter, Flood Control is partnering with the Riverside County Emergency Management Department to provide community education regarding potential heavy rainfall and household preparedness at Municipal Advisory Council meetings, including Cabazon and the San Gorgonio Pass.
- The County is reconfiguring its existing office space to accommodate organizational growth, including records reduction and installation of smaller, modernized workstations rather than construction of a new facility.

K. San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency –

- Three additional heli-hydrants are planned at the SGPWA recharge facility, in Calimesa, and at Banning Heights Mutual Water Company's new reservoir, which would bring the regional total to seven by year-end.
- SGPWA's portion of the County Line Road recharge project in Calimesa is complete, with remaining pipeline and headworks work underway. The project is expected to double recharge capacity in Calimesa when completed.

L. South Mesa Water Company – Absent.

M. Yucaipa Valley Water District – Absent.

Data Centers

SGPWA intern Jagger Maddox presented an overview of data centers and their potential impacts on local utilities and communities. He explained that the increasing use of artificial intelligence has substantially increased computing and energy demands, particularly at large-scale data centers. The analysis used hypothetical data center sizes and local Banning utility data for modeling purposes; it was emphasized that no data center development is currently proposed or planned in the area.

Maddox reported that electricity demand would be the most significant utility consideration for a large data center, while direct water demand would primarily be associated with cooling and would be comparatively more manageable from a regional water-supply perspective. He also discussed potential economic benefits and considerations, including tax revenue, relatively limited long-term employment, and the importance of structuring taxation and infrastructure requirements appropriately.

Member discussion addressed land-use requirements, cooling technologies and associated water use, taxation, potential water-quality concerns, and the substantial electrical infrastructure that could be required. Participants noted that cooling technologies are evolving and that actual water, energy, and land-use impacts would depend significantly on the design and location of an individual facility.

Maddox emphasized the importance of early involvement by utilities and local agencies if a data center were proposed, particularly to ensure that necessary infrastructure costs are borne by the project and do not shift to existing ratepayers. Participants characterized the

topic as rapidly evolving and noted the need for careful evaluation of utility, land-use, fiscal, and community impacts associated with any future proposal.

7. Update from Beaumont Basin Watermaster – Dan Jagers reported:

- The August 5, 2026 BBWM meeting is expected to include discussion of rules and regulations. The agenda should be available the following week.
- Based on Jagers' review of subsurface well data over time, the Beaumont Basin appears generally stable, particularly in the heart of the basin.
- Noted that some boundary areas of the Basin may warrant additional bolstering, but his overall takeaway was that the Basin appears stable compared with others.

8. Suggested Presentations and Topics for Future Meetings

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9. Future Meeting Dates

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10. Adjournment. Chair Daniel Slawson adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.



STAFF REPORT – ITEM 4

TO: San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance
FROM: Alliance Secretary – Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District
DATE: Sept. 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Consideration of Revision of Alliance Best Practices

Recommendation

Review the proposed Best Practices revisions, discuss the policy considerations identified in this report, and provide direction to the Alliance Secretary regarding quorum and participation, voting, Secretary responsibilities, and other desired revisions for preparation of a final draft.

***Note:** The attached redline was prepared by the Alliance Secretary as a basis for discussion. It reflects member comments, the purposes of the Alliance, and practical experience administering Alliance meetings. Alternative language is presented to facilitate discussion and is not intended as a singular recommendation.*

Background

The San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance was established as a voluntary regional forum to promote communication, cooperation, and collaboration among local governments and water agencies on issues of mutual interest. The Best Practices establish meeting ground rules and administrative procedures and were last amended in 2018. Since that time, Alliance operations have evolved, including every-other-month meetings conducted primarily by video teleconference and administrative functions currently performed through Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District.

At the May 27, 2026 Annual Business Meeting, members discussed updating the Best Practices, with discussion focused primarily on quorum, participation, voting, and administrative responsibilities. At the Chair's direction, the Alliance Secretary prepared a redline for discussion at the July meeting. The Chair deferred substantive discussion until September to provide members additional time for review. The proposed revisions do not amend the Memorandum of Understanding.

The proposed revisions are intended to modernize the Best Practices, clarify terminology, and align the document with the Alliance's current operating practices. The revisions do not amend the Memorandum of Understanding.

A redline was presented at the July meeting. It was prepared by the Alliance Secretary as a discussion document rather than a recommended final form. In developing the draft, the Secretary considered the purposes for which the Alliance was established, the Alliance's practical operating experience, and issues identified by members during the May Annual Business Meeting. The proposed language was intended to provide a framework from which members could consider alternatives and reach a collaborative decision regarding the Alliance's future operating practices.

Discussion

Keep the Alliance an alliance. The collaborative structure of the Alliance becomes very important when the region faces significant or difficult water-policy decisions. In considering revisions to the Best Practices, members may therefore wish to consider not only whether a provision works administratively today, but whether it preserves a fair and inclusive forum for regional decision-making when significant issues arise in the future.

Quorum

The current Best Practices provide that a quorum consists of a majority of Alliance member agencies, with a minimum of seven agencies present. The seven-member requirement reflects a majority of the thirteen agencies that originally executed the Alliance Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). During the May Annual Business Meeting, members questioned whether a quorum tied to the original membership remains appropriate when some member agencies have not participated for an extended period. The Chair requested consideration of a quorum based upon "Participating Member Agencies," including a concept defining participation as attendance at a minimum of 25 percent of Alliance meetings during the preceding 12 months.

The redline presents alternatives rather than a recommended formula because each approach reflects a different concept of equity. The Alliance may wish to consider fairness both to the agencies that consistently devote time to Alliance participation and to all MOU member agencies that may have an important interest in a future regional issue. The alternatives can be viewed as follows:

Option 1 – Retain the existing seven-agency quorum.

Alliance membership and quorum would continue to be based upon the MOU membership structure. Seven member agencies would be required to conduct Alliance business regardless of recent attendance patterns. This approach provides a fixed, predictable standard and treats all MOU members equally without regard to attendance history. However, agencies that rarely or never attend continue to be included in the membership base upon which the quorum was established, potentially placing a greater practical burden on the agencies that participate regularly. Attendance records reviewed in July indicated that the Alliance has generally been able to conduct business under the existing requirement, so the issue is principally whether the existing standard remains appropriate rather than whether it has prevented the Alliance from functioning.

Option 2 – Define a participating agency as a member agency represented at the meeting.

Participation would be determined by actual attendance at the meeting rather than prior attendance history. A member agency that comes to the table would be treated as a participant regardless of how frequently it attended previous meetings. This approach preserves an equal opportunity for every MOU member to participate when an issue affects its interests and avoids creating an active/inactive membership distinction. However, if quorum were simply defined as a majority of the agencies in attendance, the Alliance would need to establish an appropriate minimum number of agencies necessary to conduct business; otherwise, a relatively small number of agencies could potentially constitute both the participating membership and the quorum.

Option 3 – Define a participating agency by prior attendance, such as attendance at 25 percent of meetings during the preceding 12 months.

This approach would base quorum on agencies demonstrating a minimum level of continuing engagement. It recognizes the agencies that regularly commit time and resources to Alliance activities and reduces the ability of long-term nonparticipation by some members to affect the ability of regularly participating agencies to conduct business. It would also allow the quorum base to adjust as actual participation changes over time.

The fairness consideration under Option 3 is different, however. An MOU member that has not met the prior-attendance threshold could return when a significant regional matter directly affects its interests but not qualify as a “Participating Member Agency” under the Best Practices. The Alliance would therefore need to decide what that status means: whether the agency may participate fully in discussion but is excluded only from the quorum calculation, or whether the classification also affects its right to vote. The latter would represent a more significant departure from the existing membership structure.

The MOU establishes membership through execution of the MOU and does not presently distinguish between active, inactive, or “Participating” Member Agencies. An attendance-history standard would therefore create a new administrative classification. It would also require the Secretary to track attendance and periodically determine which member agencies qualify as participating.

The fairness question. Each option protects a different interest.

- **Option 1 emphasizes equality of membership** by treating every MOU member the same.
- **Option 2 emphasizes equality at the table** by treating every member that appears to participate in a particular meeting the same.
- **Option 3 emphasizes continuing engagement** by giving greater practical weight to agencies that regularly participate in Alliance activities.

Regional circumstances may change, and an agency that has little reason to participate regularly today may have a substantial interest in an important regional decision in the future. Conversely, the agencies that consistently participate may reasonably question whether chronic nonparticipation should make it more difficult for them to conduct Alliance business.

The policy decision is therefore not simply whether 25 percent is the correct percentage. The more fundamental question is what participation should mean within an alliance: whether membership alone should determine standing; whether showing up when an issue matters should be sufficient; or whether an agency should demonstrate continuing participation before being counted for purposes of Alliance decision-making.

In making that determination, members may wish to preserve the principle of “Keep the Alliance an alliance”—recognizing and encouraging regular participation without unnecessarily creating barriers that could prevent an MOU member from having a meaningful voice when significant regional decisions bring that agency back to the table.

Secretary Position

During the annual review of Alliance officers, members discussed the Secretary and Treasurer positions and noted that current Alliance practices differ somewhat from the duties described in organizational documents. Members discussed identifying these positions by agency rather than by individual and acknowledged that administrative responsibilities are currently performed through participating member agencies.

The Best Practices should define the Secretary's duties sufficiently to ensure continuity and accountability, but not so broadly that the position becomes a burdensome administrative obligation for whichever member agency agrees to serve.

In July, Staff incorporated clarifying revisions to reflect current Alliance administrative practices and responsibilities, but recommends further discussion on this topic at the September meeting. An update might be:

Secretary: In addition to the duties enumerated in the MOU, the Secretary shall coordinate preparation and distribution of meeting agendas, preparation of action minutes, posting of Alliance meeting materials to the Alliance website, and maintenance of the Alliance's official meeting records. Other administrative duties may be performed by member agencies as agreed upon by the Alliance.

Meeting Administration

Members also identified needed updates provisions that no longer reflect current operations, including meeting frequency, video teleconference meetings, website posting, and designation of agency representatives. These revisions are intended primarily to conform the Best Practices to current Alliance practice.

Attachments

1. Redline version of Best Practices for consideration
2. Current version of Best Practices

Attachment 1 - For discussion

Best Practices for the San Geronio Regional Pass Water Alliance

1. Membership. Alliance member agencies consist of the signatories to the Memorandum of Understanding and any San Geronio Pass area agency that subsequently executes the Memorandum of Understanding.

[A participating agency is a member agency with one or more representatives in attendance at an Alliance meeting.]

[A participating agency is a member agency having one or more representatives in attendance at 25 percent of Alliance meetings over the previous 12 months.]

~~Meeting Ground Rules:~~

2. Meetings – Meetings will be held **bi-monthly on the fourth Wednesday of odd months** at the ~~Banning City Hall via~~ **video teleconference** unless the **a majority of the** Alliance ~~majority members~~ agrees to any changes. Meeting times are 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Meeting agendas will be posted 72 hours before meetings **on the Alliance website and at the office of the Secretary**. All materials distributed to the ~~Task Force~~ **Alliance** members will be posted on the website.

Action minutes will be recorded. All meetings will be audibly recorded.

The May meeting will be considered the annual business meeting. During this meeting, the Alliance will:

a. Conduct elections for the following offices:

- 1) Chairperson: Duties are enumerated in the MOU**
- 2) Vice Chairperson: Duties are enumerated in the MOU**
- 3) Secretary: In addition to the duties enumerated in the MOU, the Secretary shall maintain the website, prepare meeting minutes, compile and distribute the meeting agenda, and maintain administrative records**
- 4) Treasurer: Duties are enumerated in the MOU**

b. and r~~Review the m~~**Memorandum of U**~~nderstanding, budget, and best practices.~~ Any additions, changes, or corrections **proposed in May** will be presented during the **next is** meeting. ~~Ratification~~ **Changes shall be of** changes will take place during the June meeting and will be subject to the

approval of the ~~governing boards of the signatory entities~~**member agencies**. Only substantial changes will require the signatures of the participating members.~~Amendments – Any s~~ **Amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding shall be referred to the governing bodies of the member agencies for consideration and ratification**~~substantive changes to the Alliance MOU are to be ratified by the governing Boards of the respective member agencies of the San Geronio Pass Regional Water Alliance.~~

c. Budget

- d. Best Practices. Any additions, changes, or corrections will be presented during this meeting. A vote on changes will take place during the June next meeting. Amendments to these Best Practices may be adopted by majority vote of the Alliance.**

3. Transparency – Meeting notices, agendas, and minutes will be posted on the Alliance website - www.passwateralliance.com. All ~~Task Force~~**Alliance** meetings are open to the public. All regular meetings of the Alliance **shall be held** in public agency facilities **and/or via teleconference** and at times that are generally deemed convenient for maximum public attendance and participation.

4. Quorum – A majority of the ~~Alliance member~~ **Alliance member** agencies **[that are signatories to the MOU] [that are participating]** shall constitute a quorum ~~with a minimum of 7 members present~~ to vote on any Alliance action item.

5. Voting – **Each Alliance member agency present shall be entitled to** ~~One vote per participating member that is a signatory to the MOU.~~

6. Meeting protocols

- a.** Alliance members conduct – Alliance members will conduct themselves with courtesy toward each other, avoiding interruptions and showing respect by listening. Alliance members will not participate in side-bar conversations while someone else has the floor. Humor is welcome, but should not be at someone's expense.
- b.**

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approach is better, offer it as a constructive alternative. Be cautious of ascribing motives to others.

c.

Be comfortable – Alliance members are welcome to refreshments and/or personal breaks. If other needs arise, please complete them without interrupting the meeting if possible.

d.

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a.e.

Honor Time – In order to meet ambitious Alliance goals, please follow the time guidelines agreed upon by the Alliance. Comments should be limited to agendized topics. The exception will be if the consensus of the Alliance is to have an item added to the agenda. Alliance members' comments should be focused, stating the point succinctly within 3 minutes; do not hog the floor. This time does not apply to agendized formal presentations or reports.

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Attachment 2 - Current BPs

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