

Water Utility Climate Alliance 2018 Work Plan

Support Services

The WUCA staff will retain a consultant to provide administrative and website support services through a contract agreement with an individual sponsoring agency.

Fiscal Agent

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) acts as Fiscal Agent for WUCA.

Business Function Mapping

This project will reveal the relevance of climate change to the full spectrum of utility decision-making/planning/operational functions and provide guidance on the types of climate information that may be most appropriate for each.

Best Practices in Climate Adaptation

WUCA will define climate adaptation for a water utility context and identify, document, and synthesize lessons and practices associated with adapting to climate change.

Member utility and other climate change practitioner presentations

Presenters will share what others in the sector are doing to address and adapt to climate change and how member utilities and practitioners are using climate information.

Western Urban Water Coalition/WUCA Partnership

The partnership will determine the type of information needed to help demonstrate challenges and barriers utilities are (or are not) experiencing using existing flexible tools in Clean Water Act and gather information to support development of flexible and adaptive regulations.

Comments on Federal and National Reports and Projects

WUCA will provide comments on critical national adaptation efforts.

Climate Resilience Training

Refine and implement a training to build a community of smart consumers of climate information proactively pursuing climate adaptation.

American Water Works Association Climate Action Plan Manual

WUCA will co-author two chapters (science of climate change and engineering principles) in the forthcoming AWWA Climate Action Plan Manual (M71) and review the manual to incorporate WUCA best practice guidance.

Strategic Coalition Development

This project will help WUCA become a more effective network, conduct a landscape assessment of WUCA allies and contacts, and receive coaching on strategic planning.

Communication

WUCA will survey members to identify the benefits of WUCA participation and develop messages for internal utility use on probability and plausibility.

Austin Forum

Increase WUCA's profile while demonstrating to the public how cities and local governments, including utilities, are stepping up efforts to address climate change head-on.

Emerging Opportunities

Provide WUCA flexibility to participate and support research that meet WUCA strategic priorities and objectives mid-budget cycle.