



“A multicounty agency authorized to plan for and acquire supplemental water supplies, encourage water conservation and use of recycled water on a regional basis.”

*[BAWSCA Act, AB2058 (Papan-2002)]*

## **BAWSCA Presentation to the Burlingame City Council**

**Tom Smegal, General Manager/CEO**

**October 6, 2025**

# Tom Smegal, BAWSCA CEO/General Manager

- **Experience:** 30+ years in the water industry, including 11 years as CFO at California Water Service Company (Cal Water), a BAWSCA member
- **Education:** B.S. in Civil Engineering and B.A. in History from Stanford University, Licensed Civil Engineer
- **Key Experiences/Skills:** Prior BAWSCA Board Member, expert in utility finance, rate design, regulatory compliance. Key part of Cal Water's transformation into a leader in water use efficiency and proactive infrastructure reinvestment.



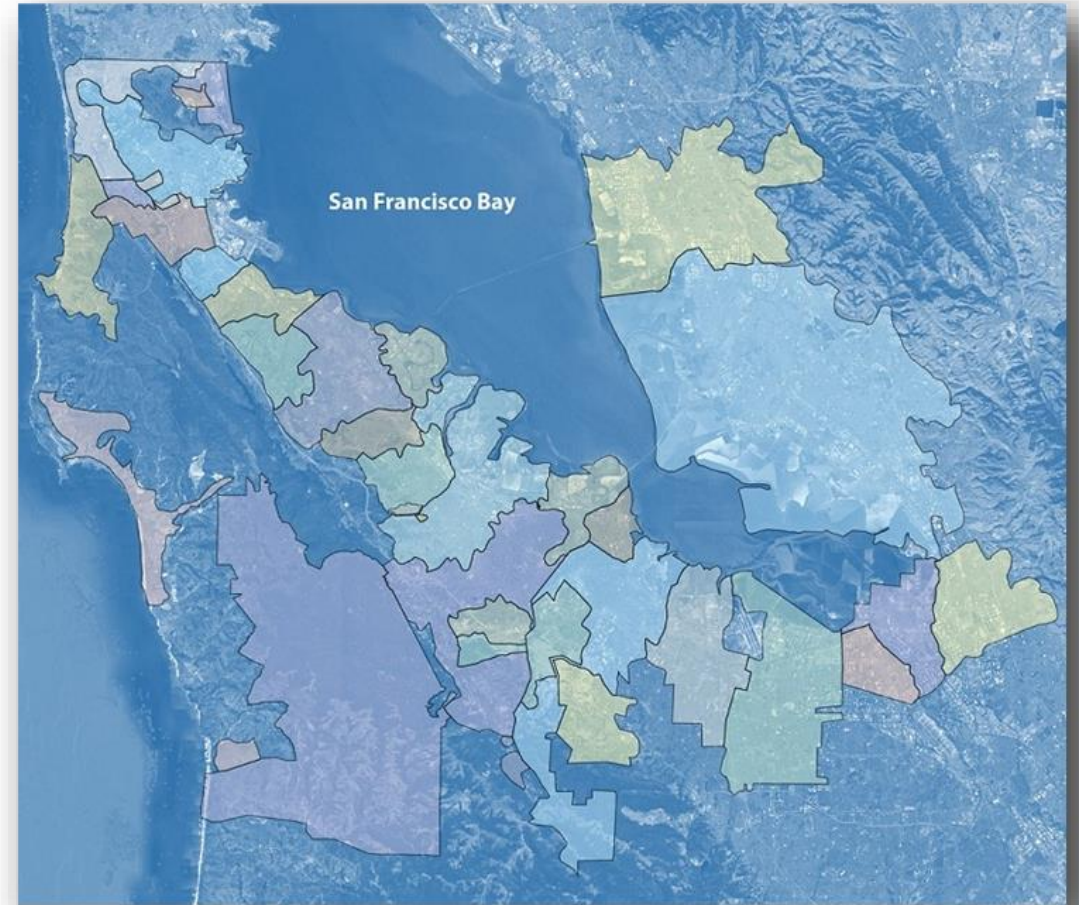
# What is BAWSCA?

## (Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency)

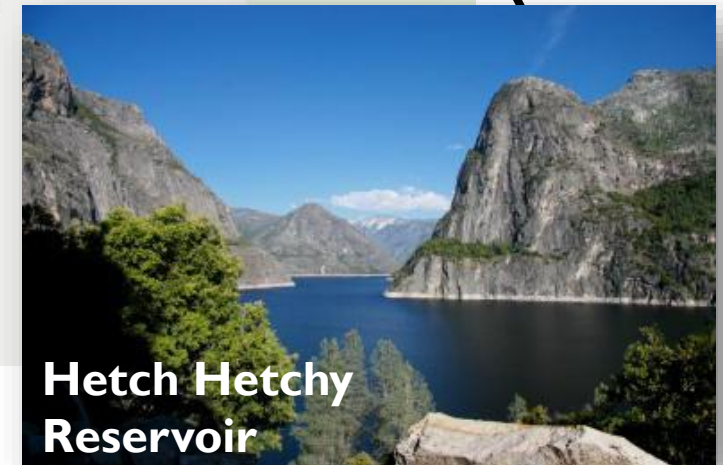
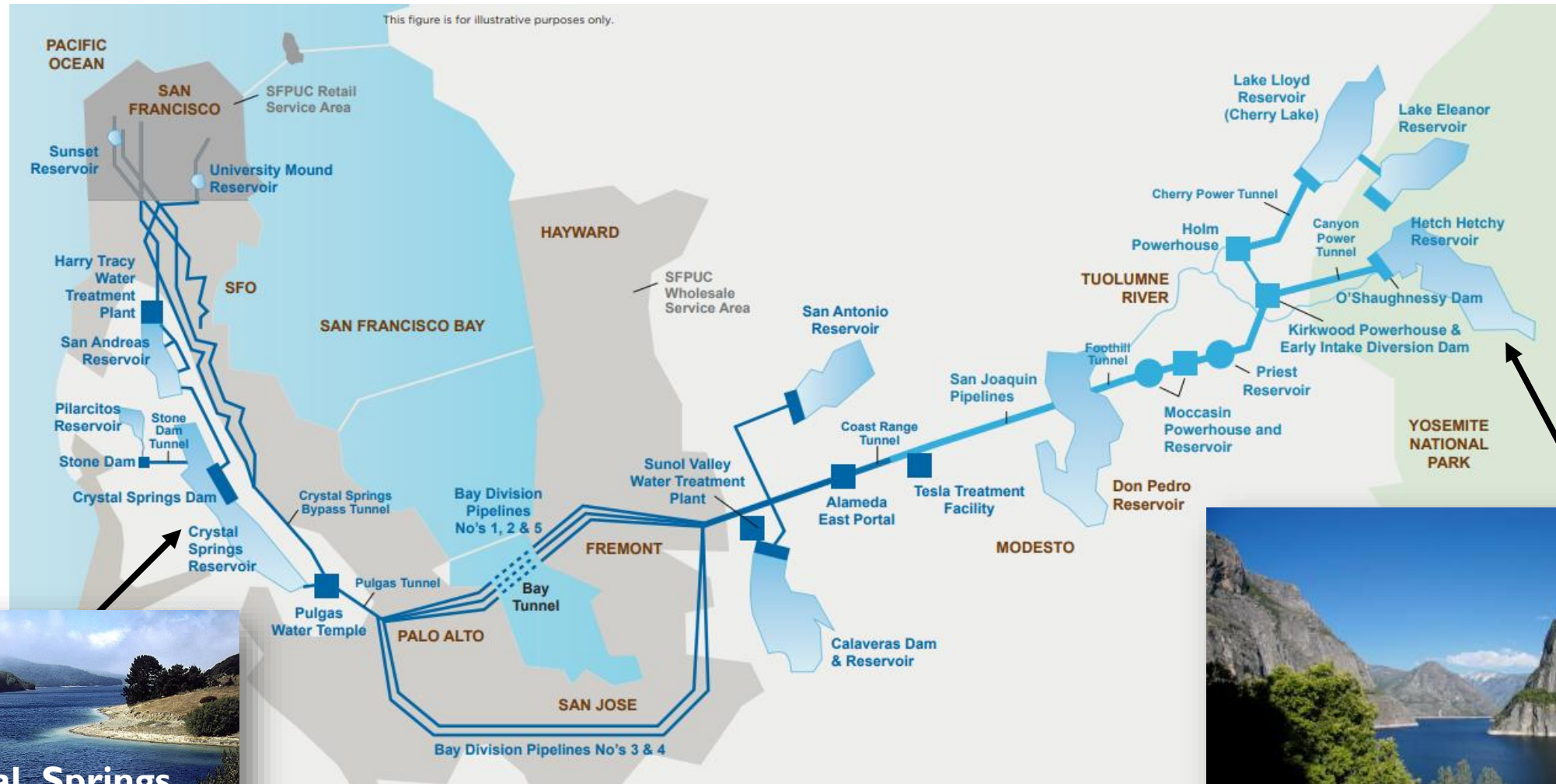
Special District formed in 2003 to represent the interests of:

- 26 water suppliers in San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Alameda Counties
- 1.8 million residents and over 40,000 businesses, and countless community organizations
- All rely on the San Francisco (Hetch Hetchy) Regional Water System

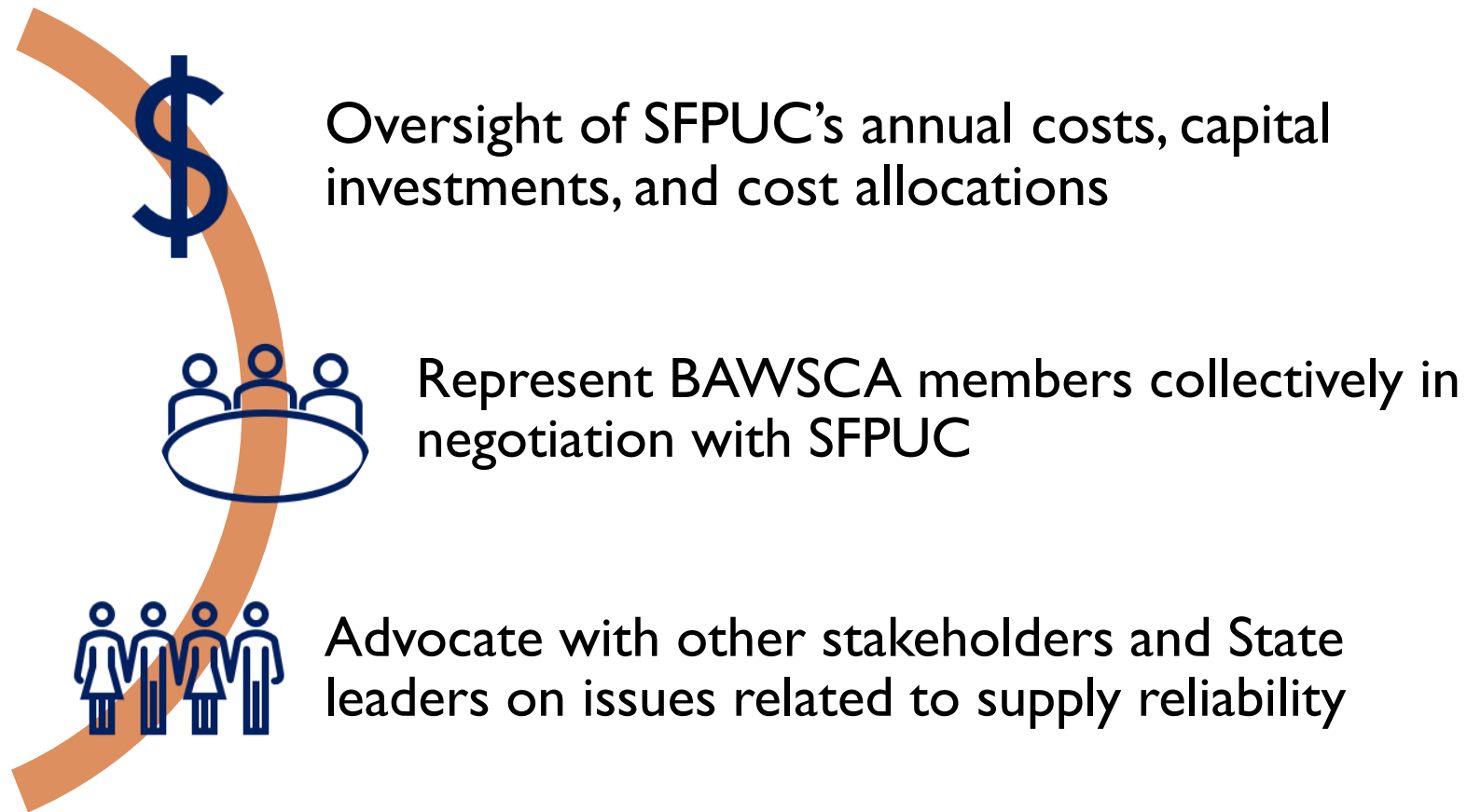
**BAWSCA's Goal: A reliable supply of high-quality water at a fair price**



# San Francisco Hetch Hetchy Regional Water System



# BAWSCA's Role Representing Member Agencies with SFPUC, Regionally, and State-wide



# BAWSCA's Role Assisting Member Agencies



Facilitate conservation programs for use by BAWSCA members



Act as a clearinghouse and knowledge base for water issues affecting the BAWSCA region



Currently BAWSCA is engaged in two major efforts: long-term strategy exercise and a periodic regional demand study

# Burlingame Participates in 6 of BAWSCA's 13 Subscription Water Conservation Programs

Lawn Be Gone!  
Turf  
Replacement  
Rebates

Lawn Be Gone!  
Inspection  
Services

Large Landscape  
Program

Irrigation  
Hardware  
Upgrade Rebates

Rain Barrel  
Rebates

Smart Controller  
Rebates

VertexOne  
*(previously WaterSmart)*  
Customer  
Engagement

WaterSense  
Fixtures Bulk  
Orders

Water Loss  
Management  
Program

Customer Meter  
Accuracy Testing

Earth Capades  
School  
Assemblies

Water-Wise  
School  
Education  
Program

Residential Self-  
Audit Program