

Water Supply Citizens Advisory Committee (WSCAC) Plans for FY26

Quick Review of Fiscal Year 2025

- Very active subcommittees
 - Ware Conservation Subcommittee (meets each month)
 - Initiated a letter of support to Drought Bill
 - Initiated a future presentation at the WRC on WSCAC water conservation views and recommendations
 - Forestry Subcommittee
 - Met with Paul Catanzaro to learn about good forestry
 - Carbon Footprint (not active yet)
- Difficulties:
 - Lost of members (3 members)
 - Long lasting member (Jerry Eves) passed away in May
 - Jerry Eves was also member of the Executive Committee

Plans for Fiscal Year 2026/Recruit Members

- Renewal of the Executive Committee (November 2025)
- Member recruitment:
 - Executive Committee with only 4 members vs. 8 members and a quorum of 3 for decision making
 - Need to recruit from water suppliers
 - To balance the committee
 - For diverse backgrounds and opinions (better represent interested groups)
 - Rebuild the Executive Committee
- Revision WSCAC membership list
 - More specific about institutions to recruit from
 - Be more specific about who to look for when recruiting (background and interests of applicants)
- Improve members' interaction with in-person meetings

Plans for Fiscal Year 2026/Educate Members

- Educate WSCAC members on key issues and MWRA projects
 - PFAS
 - System Redundancy
 - Reservoirs Operation
 - System Expansion & Quabbin Feasibility Study
 - Water Conservation
 - Water demand caused by PFAS contamination
 - Demography
 - State Housing Project
 - Climate change and frequency of drought
- Forestry and DCR-WSCAC relationship
 - Educate members about good forestry
 - Continue to build DCR-WSCAC relationship for a better forest management