

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AND
JOINT FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING-SPECIAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

The Finance & Administration Committee of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority convened at approximately 12:00 p.m. at 842 6th Street in Los Banos, California, with Chair Anthea Hansen presiding.

Members and Alternate Members in Attendance

Ex Officio

Cannon Michael
William Bourdeau

Division 1

Anthea Hansen, Member

Division 2

Justin Diener, Member

Division 3

Chris White, Member - Jarrett Martin, Alternate

Division 4

Joyce Machado, Member - Dana Jacobson, Alternate

Division 5

Absent

Friant Water Authority

Wilson Orvis, Alternate for Jason Phillips

Board of Directors Present

Division 1

Anthea Hansen, Director

Division 2

Justin Diener, Alternate

William Bourdeau, Vice-Chair/Director

Division 3

Chris White, Alternate
Jarrett Martin, Director
Cannon Michael, Chair/Director

Division 4

Steve Wittry, Director
Joyce Machado, Alternate

Division 5

Absent

Authority Representatives Present

Federico Barajas, Executive Director

Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer
Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel
Rebecca Harms, Deputy General Counsel
Raymond Tarka, Director of Finance
Lauren Viers, Accountant III
Jaime McNeill, Engineering Manager
Stewart Davis, IT Officer

Others in Attendance

Vince Gin, Valley Water
Bobbie Ormonde, Westlands Water District (ZOOM)

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Anthea Hansen called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. and roll was called.

2. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

No additions or corrections.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

No public comment.

4. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Approval of the August 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

Chair Anthea Hansen deemed the August 7, 2023 minutes approved without correction.

5. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Authorize Award of Contract, Execution of Construction Agreement for O'Neill Pumping-Generating Plant Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation, and Expenditure of up to \$220,000 from the FY 2024 EO&M Budget; CEQA Exemption.

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave introduced the item, and reviewed the memo included in the packet. Arroyave then referred to Engineering Manager Jaime McNeill who provided further background on the project. McNeill noted that the project was originally intended to be completed in-house but the Authority does not currently have the resources to do so. McNeill also stated that there is no expected impact to operations during this project.

On a motion of Alternate Member Wilson Orvis, seconded by Member Justin Diener,

the Committee adopted a recommendation for award of contract, execution of construction agreement for O'Neill Pumping-Generating Plant water storage tank rehabilitation, and expenditure of up to \$220,000 from the FY 2024 EO&M Budget and CEQA Exemption. The vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Machado, Orvis
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

REPORT ITEMS

6. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 7/31/2023

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the Budget to Actual Report through July 31, 2023 for the Activity Agreement funds. Tarka stated that for the five-month period, the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending through July 31, 2023 at 27.17% of the approved budget.

7. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 7/31/23

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY23, the self-funded routine O&M expenses through June 30, 2023 were over budget by \$90,505. This is mainly due to additional operating costs at the Intertie and the Lower Pool. The water year 2022 final accountings, fiscal year 2023 audit, and the Intertie OM&R true-up remain outstanding.

8. Procurement Activity Report

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the procurement activity report for the period of August 1st through August 31st. On August 15th, the Authority awarded a contract to Talley Oil, Inc. for DMC road maintenance chip seal. The contract amount was \$310,230 and the funding source is the EO&M budget. One contract change order was issued on August 4th to Terracon Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$173,527.80 for DMC Subsidence Mitigation Geotechnical Exploration.

9. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Federico Barajas provided updates to the committee.

- a. O&M Budget – Barajas stated the O&M budget process is underway, with the Authority planning the first O&M technical committee meeting for October.
- b. Yuba Tour – Barajas stated that the Authority will be providing a tour for the Yuba

Water Agency to show the importance of their water transfers and how they benefit Authority member water users.

10. Committee Member Reports

No reports.

11. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Sec 54954.2

No reports.

12. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:26 p.m.