

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
WATER ISSUES COMMITTEE  
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
December 8, 2021, @ 8:00 a.m.

Due to the continuing state of emergency declared by the Governor and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e), Director Green called the Water Issues Committee meeting to order via Zoom webinar. Members of the Board and the public participated via Zoom. The Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows:

Committee Members

Cathy Green  
Dina Nguyen (absent)  
Roger Yoh  
Kelly Rowe  
Bruce Whitaker

OCWD

Mike Markus – General Manager  
John Kennedy – Executive Director  
Christina Fuller – Assistant District Secretary  
Jeremy Jungreis – General Counsel

Alternates

Nelida Mendoza (arrived 8:05 a.m.)  
Harry Sidhu  
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Denis Bilodeau  
Steve Sheldon

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Rowe, seconded by Director Yoh and carried [5-0], as follows.

**Ayes: Green, Yoh, Rowe, Whitaker, Sidhu**

1. Minutes of Water Issues Committee Meeting

**The Minutes of the Water Issues Committee meeting held November 10, 2021 were approved as presented.**

2. On-Call Surveying Services: Rate Increase for Stantec

**Recommended for approval at December 15 Board meeting: Authorize new schedule of billing rates for Stantec for on-call surveying services through June 30, 2023.**

3. Contract PB-2021-1 Phase 2 Prado Basin Monitoring Wells: Ratify Change Order No. 1 with BC2 Environmental, LLC

**Recommended for approval at December 15 Board meeting: 1) Authorize execution of Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. PB-2021-1 increasing the contract by \$11,500 for a new Contract total of \$87,116 and extending the contract time of completion by an additional 325 days; and 2) Increase the project budget from \$117,952 to \$129,452.**

4. Alamitos Seawater Barrier 2022-23 Operations and Maintenance Budget

**Recommended for approval at December 15 Board meeting: 1) Approve the Alamitos Barrier 2022-23 total O&M budget in the amount of \$2,910,000, and authorize the amount of the District's share not to exceed \$1,156,000 payable to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works after receipt and review of invoices; and 2) Approve increase in the amount of**

**\$63,266 for the District's share of Alamitos Barrier O&M expenses for FY2020-21, for a revised not-to-exceed total of \$1,049,226 payable to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works after receipt and review of invoices.**

5. Construction of Monitoring Well Cluster SC-7 for GWRS Recharge Permit Compliance

**Recommended for approval at December 15 Board meeting: 1) Authorize staff to file a Notice of Exemption from requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; 2) Authorize construction of the SC-7 monitoring well cluster; 3) Authorize issuance of a Notice Inviting Bids for monitoring well construction; and 4) Authorize issuance of an RFP for construction inspection services.**

6. East Newport Mesa Groundwater Investigation Monitoring Well Cluster OCWD-M59 Installation: Award Contract No. GBM-2021-1 to ABC Liovin Drilling, Inc.

**Recommended for approval at December 15 Board meeting: 1) Receive and file Affidavit of Publication of Notice Inviting Bids for Contract GBM-2021-1; and; 2) Accept bid and award Contract No. GBM-2021-1 to ABC Liovin Drilling, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$357,925.**

7. City of Santa Ana PFAS Water Treatment Plant Well No. 40: Engineers Report and HOA Agreement

**Recommended for approval at December 15 Board meeting: 1) Approve the Engineer's Report for the City of Santa Ana Wells SA-27, SA-28, SA-31, and SA-40 PFAS Water Treatment Plant Project and determine the project feasible, necessary and beneficial to the lands of the District; and 2) Authorize the General Manager to execute the Agreement Regarding Temporary Right of Entry between the District and the Redwoods Homeowners Association.**

**MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION**

8. Contract No. FUL-2021-1 Fullerton Main Plant PFAS Water Treatment Plant: Engineers Report, Categorical Exemption, RFP for GAC Resin Media, and Notice Inviting Bids

At the request of the General Manager, this item was deferred to the next Water Issues Committee meeting.

9. Contract No. IRWD-2021-1 Irvine Ranch Water District Well OPA-1 PFAS Treatment System: Engineers Report, Environmental Documentation, RFP for IX Resin Media, and Notice Inviting Bids

Principal Engineer Ryan Bouley reported that the final plans and specifications for the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) Well OPA-1 PFAS Treatment Plant are nearing completion. He stated that when the final documents are complete, staff recommends issuing a Notice Inviting Bids for the construction. He advised that the Engineer's Report for the IRWD Well OPA-1 PFAS Treatment System is complete and finds the project feasible, necessary, and beneficial; and the District's Phase I pilot study of IX is complete. Mr. Bouley stated that design plans and specifications are nearly complete for IRWD. He reported that OCWD and IRWD have determined that construction and operation of a treatment plant for PFOA and PFOS (PFAS) is required. He advised that IRWD has prepared an addendum to the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Orange Park Acres Well Replacement Project that includes IX treatment with the project. Mr. Bouley reviewed the project schedule and budget and advised that the total project budget is about 5.4 million.

Upon motion by Director Rowe, seconded by Director Yoh and carried [5-0], the Committee recommended that the Board at its December 15 Board meeting: 1) Approve the Engineer's Report for the Irvine Ranch Water District Well OPA-1 PFAS Water Treatment Plant Project and determine the project feasible, necessary and beneficial to the lands of the District; 2) Adopt Resolution finding that Addendum No. 1 to the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Orange Park Acres Well Replacement Project adequately evaluates the environmental impacts of the Irvine Ranch Water District PFAS Water Treatment Plant Project; 3) Authorize publication of a Request for Proposals to Procure and Install Ion Exchange Resin Media for the IRWD Well OPA-1 PFAS Treatment Plant; 4) Authorize publication of Notice Inviting Bids for Contract No. IRWD-2021-1, Irvine Ranch Water District Well OPA-1 PFAS Water Treatment Plant; and 5) Authorize filing of a Notice of Determination for Addendum No. 1 to the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Orange Park Acres Well Replacement Project.  
Ayes – Green, Yoh, Rowe, Whitaker, Mendoza

**CHAIR DIRECTION AS TO ITEMS IF ANY TO BE AGENDIZED AS MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE DECEMBER 15 BOARD MEETING**

It was agreed to place all items on the Consent calendar for the December 15 Board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

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Cathy Green, Chair