

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WATER ISSUES COMMITTEE
Orange County Water District
January 14, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.

Director Green called the Water Issues Committee meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. in the District Boardroom. Public access was also provided via Zoom webinar. The Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows:

Committee Members

Cathy Green
Erik Weigand
Roger Yoh
Van Tran
Dina Nguyen arrived at 12:15 p.m.

Alternates

Valerie Amezcua
Fred Jung
Natalie Meeks
Steve Sheldon arrived at 12:02 p.m.
Denis Bilodeau

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Chris Olsen – Executive Director of Engineering & Water Resources
Mehul Patel – Executive Director of Operations
Jason Dadakis – Executive Director of Water Quality & Technical Resources
Lisa Haney – Executive Director of Planning & Natural Resources
Randy Fick – Treasurer/CFO
Adam Hutchinson – Recharge Planning Manager
Megan Plumlee – Research Director
Crystal Nettles – Principal Communications Specialist
Dave Mark – Principal Hydrogeologist
Alicia Harasty – Legislative Affairs Liaison
Julio Polanco – Scientist
Pat Versluis – Director of Water Quality
Ben Smith – Director of Recharge and Wetland Operations
Shawn Neville – Principal Planner
Larry Esguerra – Senior Engineer
Frank Hernandez – Director of Information Services
Roy Herndon – Chief of Hydrogeology
Bill Leever – Principal Hydrogeologist
Ryan Bouley – Director of Engineering
Kevin O’Toole – Senior Planner
Jeremy Jungreis – General Counsel
Leticia Villarreal – Assistant District Secretary

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Amezcua, seconded by Director Weigand and carried [5-0], as follows:

Ayes: Green, Weigand, Yoh, Tran, Amezcua

1. Minutes of Water Issues Committee Meeting

The Minutes of the Water Issues Committee meeting held December 10, 2025, were approved as presented.

2. ACWA PFAS Cost of Compliance Study Contribution

Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting: Authorize a \$5,000 contribution to ACWA for a PFAS Cost of Compliance Study.

3. Agreement with Jacobs for a South Basin Groundwater Protection Project Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan
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Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting: Authorize issuance of an Agreement to Jacobs Engineering Group for preparation of a South Basin Groundwater Protection Project Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan.

4. Purchase of Reverse Osmosis Replacement Membrane Elements for GWRS Reverse Osmosis System
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Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting:

- 1) **Authorize issuance of a Purchase Order to Dupont water Solutions for an amount not to exceed \$541,798 for 1,060 BW30XFRLE reverse osmosis membranes for one unit in the GWRS reverse osmosis system;**
 - 2) **Authorize issuance of a Purchase Order to Toray Membrane, USA for an amount not to exceed \$502,440 for 1,060 TLF-400DG reverse osmosis membranes for one unit in the GWRS reverse osmosis system;**
 - 3) **Authorize issuance of a Purchase Order to Water Surplus for an amount not to exceed \$806,049 for 1,060 NanoStack coated BW30XFRLE reverse osmosis membranes for one unit in the GWRS reverse osmosis system; and**
 - 4) **Authorize additional funds in the amount of \$100,287 for R&R account R25006.**
5. K-2025-1: Kraemer Basin Check Valve Replacements: Notice of Completion and Ratify Change Order
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Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting:

- 1) **Ratify issuance of Change Order No. 1 to Innovative Construction Solutions for a total amount of \$10,420; and**
 - 2) **Accept completion of work and authorize filing a Notice of Completion for Contract No. K-2025: Kraemer Basin Check Valve Replacements.**
6. Agreement with DDB Engineering for the Preparation of 2025 GWRS Annual Report

Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting: Authorize issuance of Agreement to DDB Engineering Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$60,000 to provide consulting services for the preparation of the calendar year 2025 GWRS Annual Report.

7. Alamitos Seawater Barrier 2026-27 Operations and Maintenance Budget

Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting: Approve the Alamitos Barrier 2026-27 total O&M budget in the amount of \$3,320,000 and authorize the amount of the District's share not to exceed \$1,331,000 payable to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works after receipt and review of invoices.

8. WF-2025-1: Asphalt Pavement Rehabilitation 2026 – Publication of Notice Inviting Bids

Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting:

- 1) **Authorize publication of Notice Inviting Bids for Contract No. WF-2025-1: Asphalt Rehabilitation 2026 project; and**
 - 2) **Authorize filing of a Categorical Exemption for the Asphalt Rehabilitation 2026 project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.**
9. Authorize Work Order to PSOMAS for Archeological Monitoring at SA-2023-1

Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting:

- 1) **Ratify Work Order No. 1 to PSOMAS in the amount of \$6,260 for Cultural Resources Monitoring Support Services; and**
 - 2) **Authorize Issuance of a Work Order to PSOMAS, in an amount not-to-exceed \$60,000, to continue archeological monitoring during new ground disturbance activities for the construction of City of Santa Ana PFAS Water Treatment Plant Well Nos. 27 & 28.**
10. Authorize Change Order to Murry Company for Reverse Osmosis Clean-In-Place Pipe Replacement

Recommended for approval at January 21 Board meeting:

- 1) **Authorize Change Order No. 1 to Murray Company for Reverse Osmosis Clean-in-Place Pipe Replacements in the amount of \$288,827; and**
- 2) **Increase the Reverse Osmosis CIP Valve Relocation Project budget to \$788,827.**

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

11. Award Contract No. SA-2025-1 City of Santa Ana PFAS Treatment at John Garthe Reservoir to Kingmen Construction, Inc. and Budget Increase

Director of Engineering Ryan Bouley stated that a total of seven construction bids were received on December 11, 2025 for the City of Santa Ana PFAS treatment at John Garthe Reservoir project. Staff recommended awarding a contract to Kingmen Construction, Inc. as the lowest responsive bid. Staff also recommended increasing the budget by \$1,474,850.

Upon motion by Director Amezcua, seconded by Director Weigand and carried [5-0], the Committee recommended for approval at the January 21 Board Meeting:

- 1) **Receive and file Affidavit of Publication of Notice Inviting Bids for Contract No. SA-2025-1 City of Santa Ana PFAS Treatment at John Garthe Reservoir Project;**
- 2) **Ratify issuance of Addenda 1 through 8;**
- 3) **Accept bid and authorize award of Contract SA-2025-1 to the lowest responsive bid and responsible bidder, Kingmen Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$23,587,500; and**
- 4) **Increase project budget by \$1,474,850 for a total project budget in the amount of \$31,474,850.**

Ayes: Green, Weigand, Yoh, Tran, Amezcua

12. Bond Basin Slope Repair Authorize Amendment No. 3 to ENGEO, Inc.

Mr. Bouley informed the Committee that ENGEO, Inc. has been providing additional services due to work expanding beyond the original project limits requiring additional compensation. Staff also requested a proposal for revised design drawings to accommodate construction during the rainy and dry season.

Upon motion by Director Weigand, seconded by Director Tran and carried [5-0], the Committee recommended for approval at the January 21 Board Meeting: Authorize Amendment No. 3 to Agreement 1555 with Engeo for a not-to-exceed amount of \$59,827.

Ayes: Green, Weigand, Yoh, Tran, Nguyen

CHAIR DIRECTION AS TO ITEMS IF ANY TO BE AGENDIZED AS MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE JANUARY 21 BOARD MEETING

All items Consent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

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Cathy Green
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Cathy Green, Chair