

MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
May 21, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

President Bilodeau called to order the May 21, 2025 regular meeting of the Orange County Water District Board of Directors at 5:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the District Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows. Public access was also provided via Zoom webinar.

Directors

Valerie Amezcua
Denis Bilodeau
Cathy Green
Fred Jung
Dina Nguyen
Natalie Meeks
Stephen Sheldon
Van Tran
Erik Weigand
Roger Yoh

Staff

John Kennedy, General Manager
Jeremy Jungreis, General Counsel
Christina Fuller, District Secretary

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

There were no visitors wishing to address the Board this evening.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Jung and carried [10-0] as follows:

Ayes: Amezcua, Bilodeau, Green, Jung, Meeks, Nguyen, Sheldon, Tran, Weigand, Yoh

1. Approval of Cash Disbursements

MOTION NO. 25-48
APPROVING CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Payment of bills for the period of May 01, 2025 through May 14, 2025 in the total amount of \$5,165,357.08 is ratified and approved.

2. Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting held April 16, April 30 and May 7, 2025

MOTION NO. 25-49
APPROVING MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

The Minutes of the Board of Directors meetings held April 16, April 30 and May 7, 2025 are hereby approved as presented.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT WATER ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
MAY 14

3. Invitation for Quotes (IFQ-24-002) for Soil Borings at Anaheim Lake (Resilience Plan Priority Project No. 12)
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MOTION NO. 25-50
AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF INVITATION FOR QUOTES FOR SERVICES TO DRILL SOIL
BORINGS AT ANAHEIM LAKE

Issuance of Invitation for Quotes for services to drill soil borings at Anaheim Lake is authorized.

4. Agreement to Butier Engineering Inc for Construction Management And Inspection Services for SB-2025-1 Bond Basin Slope Repair and Budget Increase
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RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-68
APPROVING AGREEMENT TO BUTIER ENGINEERING INC FOR CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR SB-2025-1 BOND BASIN SLOPE
REPAIR AND BUDGET INCREASE

WHEREAS, a total of three proposals were received on April 17, 2025, for Construction Management and Inspection Services for Bond Basin Slope Repair Project, Contract SB-2025-1; and

WHEREAS, the District staff recommends authorizing an agreement with Butier Engineering, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$321,123.50 for construction management and inspection services and increasing the project budget by \$71,124.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: An agreement with Butier Engineering, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$321,123.50 for construction management and inspection services for SB-2025-1 Bond Basin Slope Repair is hereby approved.

Section 2: An increase in the project budget by \$71,124 for a total project budget amount of \$3,849,414 is hereby authorized.

5. Contract No. TUS-2022-1: Amendment No. 2 to Butier Engineering

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-69
APPROVING AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH BUTIER ENGINEERING INC. FOR
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 23-11-147 adopted November 1, 2023, OCWD authorized issuance of an Agreement to Butier Inc. for Construction Management and Inspection Services; and

WHEREAS, due to the specific construction impacts and changes to the project schedule of the PFAS water treatment plant at the city of Tustin Main Street Plant, the Water Issues Committee of this Board recommends authorizing the issuance of an Amendment to Agreement No. 1558 with Butier Engineering Inc. for additional construction management and inspection services in the amount of \$197,010.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve issuance of an Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 1558 with Butier Engineering Inc. for construction management and inspection services as described herein; and, upon approval as to form and content by General Counsel, its execution by District officers is authorized.

6. Agreement Extension for On-Call Surveying Services

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-70
AUTHORIZING A TIME EXTENSION FOR ON-CALL CONSULTANTS

A time extension of agreements to Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., CASC Engineering and Consulting, and Huitt-Zollars, Inc. for on-call surveying services through June 30, 2027 is authorized.

7. Talbert Barrier Injection Wells I-24 & I-25 Control Valve Project, Publication of Notice Inviting Bids

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-71
AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR CONTRACT NO. TAL-2024-2,
TALBERT BARRIER INJECTION WELLS I-24 AND I-25 CONTROL VALVE REPLACEMENT
PROJECT

Publication of Notice Inviting Bids for Contract No. TAL-2024-2, Talbert Barrier Injection Wells I-24 and I-25 Control Valve Replacement Project is hereby authorized.

8. Contract No. A-2025-1 Anaheim Lake Valve Vault Categorical Exemption and Notice Inviting Bids

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-72
AUTHORIZING FILING OF A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FOR THE ANAHEIM LAKE VALVE
VAULT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE INVITING BIDS

WHEREAS, the District staff has advised that the final plans and specifications for Anaheim Lake Valve Vault Project are complete.

WHEREAS, the Water Issues Committee of this Board recommends filing a Categorical Exemption for the project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and issuing a Notice Inviting Bids for the construction contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: Publication of Notice Inviting Bids is authorized for A-2025-1, Anaheim Lake Valve Vault.

Section 2: Filing of a Categorical Exemption for the Anaheim Lake Valve Vault in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.

9. Golden State Water Company Clair Plant, Beach Plant, and Dale Plant PFAS Treatment Systems Project: Engineer's Report and Categorical Exemption

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-73

AUTHORIZING FILING OF A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FOR GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY CLAIR PLANT, BEACH PLANT, AND DALE PLANT PFAS TREATMENT SYSTEMS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE ENGINEERS REPORT

WHEREAS, the District staff has advised that the plans and specifications for the Golden State Water Company Clair Plant, Beach Plant, and Dale Plant PFAS Treatment Systems Project (Project) are nearing 30% completion.

WHEREAS, the Water Issues Committee of this Board recommends filing of a Categorical Exemption for the project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and Approve the Engineer's Report for the Golden State Water Company Clair Plant, Beach Plant, and Dale Plant PFAS Treatment Systems Project and determine the project feasible, necessary and beneficial to the lands of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: The Engineer's Report for the Golden State Water Company Clair Plant, Beach Plant, and Dale Plant PFAS Treatment Systems Project is hereby approved and the project is deemed feasible, necessary and beneficial to the lands of the District.

Section 2: Filing of a Categorical Exemption for the Golden State Water Company Clair Plant, Beach Plant, and Dale Plant PFAS Treatment Systems Project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.

10. Authorize Agreement to Tait and Associates, Inc. for 2025 Asphalt Pavement Rehabilitation Design

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-74

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH TAIT AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR 2025 ASPHALT PAVEMENT REHABILITATION DESIGN

RESOLVED, that issuance of a service Agreement is authorized to Tait and Associates, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the 2025 Asphalt Pavement Rehabilitation Design.

11. Issuance of Services Agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc. for 2025 Prado Basin Multispectral Aerial Imagery and Light Detection Ranging (LIDAR)

RESOLUTION NO. 25-25-75

AGREEMENT WITH TETRA TECH, INC. FOR 2025 PRADO BASIN MULTISPECTRAL AERIAL IMAGERY AND LIGHT DETECTION RANGING (LIDAR)

WHEREAS, the Water Issues Committee of this Board has recommended approval of an agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc., in the amount of \$41,198 for multispectral aerial imaging and high-pulse count LiDAR data collection of Prado Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Water Issues Committee has further recommended approval of a cost share agreement with Inland Empire Utilities Agency and Chino Basin Watermaster for multispectral aerial imagery and LiDAR data collection;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: Issuance of an agreement to Tetra Tech, Inc., is authorized as outlined herein; and, upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

Section 2: The cost share agreement for such work is approved as outlined herein; and, upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

- 12. Authorization to Enter Into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the County of Orange for the Continued Use of the County’s AlertOC

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-76

AUTHORIZE ENTERING INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE COUNTY OF ORANGE FOR THE CONTINUED USE OF THE COUNTY’S ALERTOC

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Orange County Water District and the County of Orange for the continued use of the County’s Mass Notification System, AlertOC, administered through Everbridge, Inc.

- 13. Award Contract No. GWRS-2025-1 Reverse Osmosis CIP Valve Relocation to Murray Company

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-77

APPROVING AGREEMENT TO MURRAY COMPANY FOR THE REVERSE OSMOSIS CLEAN-IN-PLACE (CIP) VALVE RELOCATION PROJECT, CONTRACT GWRS-2025-1

WHEREAS, a Notice Inviting Bids for Contract GWRS-2025-1, Reverse Osmosis Clean-In-Place (CIP) Valve Relocation Project, was published in The Orange County Register on February 27, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received and opened on April 8, 2025:

Murray Company	\$340,885
Estate Design & Construction	\$350,000
Innovative Construction Solutions	\$363,800
Vicon Enterprise	\$365,500
MMC, Inc.	\$420,000

WHEREAS, Addendum No. 1 was issued March 27, 2025, to provide responses to potential bidder’s questions;

WHEREAS, the District staff recommends awarding the contract to Murray Company, in the amount of \$340,885; and establishing a total project budget of \$500,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: The Affidavit of Publication of Notice Inviting Bids for Contract No. GWRS-2025-1 is received and filed.

Section 2: The lowest responsive bid of Murray Company, in the amount of \$340,885 is accepted and all other bids are rejected.

Section 3: Issuance of Addendum No. 1 to provide responses to potential bidder's questions is ratified.

Section 4: The Reverse Osmosis CIP Valve Relocation Project budget in the amount of \$500,000 is hereby established.

14. Award Direct Access Electricity Contract For Groundwater Replenishment System, Burris Pump Station, and Green Acres Project Santa Ana Reservoir

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-78

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT FOR DIRECT ACCESS ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT WITH CONSTELLATION NEW ENERGY, NRG/DIRECT ENERGY OR SHELL ENERGY FOR THE OCWD KIWI SUBSTATION, BURRIS PUMP STATION, AND GREEN ACRES PROJECT SANTA ANA RESERVOIR

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized in consultation with the board president to enter into a five year contract ending June 30, 2030 for Direct Access electricity procurement with Constellation New Energy, NRG/Direct Energy or Shell Energy for the OCWD Kiwi Substation, Burris Pump Station, and Green Acres Project Santa Ana Reservoir on May 21, 2025.

15. Results of Riverbed Filtration System Demonstration Project and Authorization to Issue Request for Proposals for Feasibility Study (Resilience Plan Priority Project No. 11)

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-79

AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE RIVERBED FILTRATION SYSTEM FEASIBILITY STUDY

Issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) is authorized for the Riverbed Filtration System Feasibility Study.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT ADMINISTRATION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MAY 15

16. Monthly Cash Control Report

MOTION NO. 25-51

RECEIVING AND FILING THE MONTHLY CASH CONTROL REPORTS

The Summary Cash and Cash Equivalents Control Reports dated April 30, 2025 are hereby received and filed.

17. Investment Portfolio Holdings Reports

MOTION NO. 25-52
RECEIVING AND FILING INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS REPORTS

The Investment Portfolio Holdings Reports dated April 30, 2025 are hereby received and filed.

18. Ultraviolet Light (UV) Equipment Supply

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-80
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDER TO TROJAN TECHNOLOGIES
GROUP ULC FOR UV LAMPS

RESOLVED, that issuance of Purchase Order is authorized to Trojan Technologies Group ULC for the purchase of 1,080 UV lamps in the amount of \$272,691 including freight.

19. Amendment 6 to Agreement 1315 with Valley Cities/Gonzales Fence, Inc., for On-Call Fence Repairs

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-81
APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO AGREEMENT WITH VALLEY CITIES/GONZALES FENCE,
INC. FOR ON-CALL FENCE REPAIRS FOR RECHARGE BASINS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No.19-6-91 adopted June 19, 2019, as subsequently modified, OCWD issued Agreement No. 1315 to Valley Cities/Gonzales Fence, Inc., for on-call fence repairs for the recharge basins; and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Issues Committee of this Board has recommended issuance of Amendment No. 6 to Agreement No. 1315 with Valley Cities/Gonzales Fence, Inc. to extend the termination date to June 30, 2027, and increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$60,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve Amendment six to such License Agreement as described herein; and, upon approval, as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

20. Authorize Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 1554 with Yorke Engineering, Inc for Mobile Source Compliance Assistance

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-82
APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT WITH YORKE ENGINEERING, INC FOR
MOBILE SOURCE COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE

RESOLVED, that Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 1554 with Yorke Engineering, Inc. for mobile source compliance assistance for an amount not to exceed \$20,000 is hereby authorized.

21. Agreement with Habitat West Inc. for Habitat Restoration and Maintenance Services on OCWD Lands in Orange County

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-83
APPROVING AGREEMENT TO HABITAT WEST INC. FOR HABITAT RESTORATION AND
MAINTENANCE SERVICES ON OCWD LANDS

WHEREAS, the District has several re-vegetation sites adjacent to recharge facilities in Orange County that require ongoing maintenance to comply with regulatory permits.

WHEREAS, the District has used a contractor for this work for several years and recently rebid the work because the contractor's agreement expired in June 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Issues Committee of this Board has recommended issuance of an agreement to Habitat West Inc. for \$90,000, plus an additional \$180,000 per year starting in year 2, plus a 5% inflation rate for each subsequent year, for a not to exceed total of \$652,725 for three years;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve issuance of an agreement to Habitat West Inc. as described herein; and, upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

22. Agreement to PacWest for District Security Services

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-84
APPROVING AMENDMENT TO PACWEST FOR SECURITY SERVICES

RESOLVED, that issuance of an amendment to Agreement No. 1496 to PacWest Security Services is authorized for three years for the amount of \$499,825.82 for the period of June 15, 2025, through June 15, 2026, \$522,738.82 for the period of June 15, 2026, through June 15, 2027, and \$547,539.63 for the period of June 15, 2027 through June 15, 2028.

23. Agreement with Shi International Corporation for Microsoft Licensing, Products and Services

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-85
APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION FOR MICROSOFT
SUBSCRIPTION LICENSES, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

WHEREAS, District staff uses Microsoft Corporation (MS) software, including MS Office 365 (O365) subscription licenses for email, secure file sharing, communication services and desktop applications, as well as other vital software used throughout the District; and

WHEREAS, to continue using the O365 software, the District needs to renew its subscription services before they expire on July 31, 2025;

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Issues Committee of this Board has recommended approval of the purchase of Microsoft subscription licenses, products and services from SHI International Corp. under the County of Riverside Agreement ITARC-00929 in the amount of \$260,658 (\$86,886 per year) for a term of three years commencing August 1, 2025 and authorizing the General Manager to execute corresponding agreements with SHI and Microsoft Corporation, subject to legal counsel review;

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Issues Committee of this Board has further recommended authorizing the General Manager to approve amendments of up to 10% of the contract value.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: Purchase of Microsoft subscription licenses, products and services from SHI International Corp. under the County of Riverside Agreement ITARC-00929 as described herein and authorizing the General Manager to execute corresponding agreements with SHI and Microsoft Corporation; and, upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

Section 2: The General Manager is authorized to approve amendments of up to 10% of the contract value.

24. Santa Ana Well Construction Loan Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-86
APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SANTA ANA

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 24-11-151, the Producers Well Construction Loan Program template Agreement was approved on November 20, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Ana (City) submitted an application for the loan program for \$10 million over a 20-year term for the City's Well 42 Phase II work.

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Issues Committee of this Board has recommended approval of the agreement with the City of Santa Ana for \$10 million over a 20 year term.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve the aforementioned Agreement as outlined herein; and, upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, execution of the contracts accordingly by the District officers is authorized.

25. Budget to Actual Report for Third Quarter FY 2024–25

MOTION NO. 25-54
RECEIVING AND FILING THE BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT FOR THIRD QUARTER OF
FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 ENDING MARCH 31, 2025

The Budget to Actual Report for the Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2024-25 ending March 31, 2025 is hereby received and filed.

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

26. Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Fiscal Years 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budgets

SAWPA General Manager Jeff Mosher advised that SAWPA recently approved its fiscal year (FY) 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 budgets. He noted that the District's annual contribution to SAWPA would increase from the current \$452,182 to \$454,680 for FY 2025-26 and to \$484,247 for FY 2026-27.

Director Sheldon requested that the 2027 allocation funding for Cloud Seeding be removed from the budget to be considered at a later date. There was no objection to this request which was added to the recommendation.

Upon motion by Director Sheldon, seconded by Director Weigand, the following resolution was unanimously adopted [10-0].

Ayes: Amezcua, Bilodeau, Green, Jung, Meeks, Nguyen, Sheldon, Tran, Weigand, Yoh

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-87
APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE SANTA ANA WATERSHED PROJECT
AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING 2026 AND 2027

WHEREAS, the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA or Agency) was formed in 1975 pursuant to that certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement Creating Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, as amended in 1984, 1991, 1997, 2002, and 2007 (herein collectively referred to as the 1975 JPA);

WHEREAS, the 1975 JPA designates Orange County Water District as a member of the Agency (Member Agency);

WHEREAS, the 1975 JPA requires approval of the SAWPA Budget by each Member Agency to the extent that such budget may impose any liability on said Member Agency; and

WHEREAS, the 1975 JPA requires approval of such budget be evidenced by a certified copy of an approving resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of Orange County Water District.

Section 1: The Board of Directors of Orange County Water District hereby approve the SAWPA Budget for Fiscal Years ending 2026 and 2027 without the 2027 allocation funding for Cloud Seeding.

Section 2: The Board Secretary is hereby directed to provide SAWPA with a certified copy of the fully executed Resolution.

Section 3: Payment to SAWPA of the Orange County Water District's Member Agency contributions of \$454,680 for FY 2025-26 and \$484,247 for FY 2026-27 is authorized.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

27. Annual Santa Ana River Watermaster Report

Chief of Hydrogeology Roy Herndon reviewed the 2023-24 Santa Ana River Watermaster Report prepared in accordance with the 1969 Stipulated Judgment.

28. SAWPA Update

Director Bilodeau provided an update on recent SAWPA activities.

29. Water Resources Report

General Manager John Kennedy stated the report was in the packet.

30. Committee/Conference/Meeting Reports

The Board reported on attendance at the following Committee meetings, noting the Action Agendas were included in tonight's Board packet.

- May 8 – Communications and Legislative Committee
- May 9 – Property Management Committee
- May 14 – Water Issues Committee
- May 15– Administration and Finance Issues Committee

31. Verbal Reports

General Manager John Kennedy advised that staff is looking into potentially upgrading OCWD's tour program and recommends creating a GWRs tour ad-hoc Committee. President Bilodeau requested that any Directors interested in serving on the ad-hoc Committee contact him directly.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION, [Government Section 54956.9(a),(d)] – OCWD v. 3M Company et al.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session whereupon General Counsel Jungreis advised that there were no reportable items.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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Denis Bilodeau 6/20/2025
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Denis Bilodeau, President

DocuSigned by:
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Christina Fuller, District Secretary