



BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES (ANNUAL BOARD WORKSHOP)

**BOARD MEETING OFFICE
1720 N. CHEROKEE TR.
LANDERS, CALIFORNIA 92285**

**March 22, 2019
Time – 9:00 A.M.**

Call to Order

Meeting convened by Board Vice-President Corl-Lorono at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mary Coulombe

Roll Call

Directors Present: Judy Corl-Lorono
 John R. Burkhart
 J. Larry Coulombe

TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

The following Director will participate in the Board Meeting via teleconference at the location listed: President Michael McBride, 3300 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89109

Staff Present: Marina West
 Seth Kish

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda.

MSC¹ Director Coulombe/Director Burkhart unanimously approved.

Engineer Mr. James Owens/NV5 to Present Projects Outlined in the Draft Preliminary Engineering Report (Prop. 1 Planning Grant)

NV5 Engineer Mr. James Owens went over the projects outlined in the Draft Preliminary Engineering Report (Prop. 1 Planning Grant). In 2017, Bighorn Desert View Water Agency (BDVWA) received funding from the State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) for the planning phase of system improvements. The funding was/will be used to identify and develop consolidation of the BDVWA and the Goat Mountain water systems and to develop other system improvements. The Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) identified

several infrastructure improvements to consolidate the two systems and to strengthen the reliability and efficiency of the overall, consolidated water system. Mr. Owens explained the details of these projects and the steps required to complete them. The projects funded by this grant consist of system consolidations, system improvements, obtaining the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents and designing the system improvements.

The Board adjourned for a short recess at 10:15 A.M

The Board reconvened at 10:29 A.M

Mr. Owens explained that the benefits of the proposed projects are: improve system redundancy and reliability and reduce some operation costs; utilize existing BDVWA wells currently offline due to uranium concentrations; consolidation pipelines to increase system redundancy; providing each system with access to more water sources (wells) throughout the system's wells and tanks; a new booster station pumping to "Zone D" will provide mechanism to move water from wells resupplied from the recharge basin (via GM Well 1 and 3); a new booster station pumping to "Zone B" would provide blending with water to Well 3 and 4, which currently have elevated uranium. BDVWA's Well No. 8 and the HDWD interconnection(s) can also serve as blending sources. GM West explained that these are the plans the Agency would like to accomplish within the next five (5) to ten (10) years depending on funding opportunities and priorities, noting the NEPA process in conjunction with Bureau of Land Management lease agreements will take a minimum of four (4) to six (6) years.

Public Comments

None

Verbal Reports

None

Adjournment – President Michael McBride adjourned the meeting at 10:31 p.m.

Approved by:


John R. Burkhart, Secretary of the Board

MSC¹ – Motion made, seconded, and carried.