



BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

Our Mission - "To provide a high quality supply of water and reliable service to all customers at a fair and reasonable rate."

Planning/Legislative/Engineering Grant & Security Standing Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Members: Vice President Corl-Lorono & Secretary Burkhart

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

**July 16, 2019
Time – 9:15 A.M.**

Call to Order

Vice President Corl-Lorono called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by John Burkhart

Roll Call

Directors: Judy Corl-Lorono
John R. Burkhart

Staff: Seth Kish
Marina West

Approval of the Agenda

Secretary Burkhart and Vice President Corl-Lorono approved the agenda as presented.

Conference Call with Mojave Water Agency's Legal/Legislative and Public Information Committee

Committee participated via teleconference for an update by the State Advocate of Issues at the State Level, as well as an update by the Federal Advocate of Issues at the Federal Level.

No Public Comment

California Water Systems Alliance Update

General Manger West gave an update to the Committee regarding the California Water Systems Alliance (CWSA). GM West and Vice President Judy Corl-Lorono along with some representatives from 29 Palms Water District had a meeting with Senator Grove to discuss top legislative and policy proprieties. Priority issues for Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency included following topics: Compliance Assistance Plans: Urge legislature to require the State Water Board to have a compliance assistance plan for disadvantaged communities and small water systems which works in parallel with the approval of new drinking water standards; Streamlined State Grants: improve the process of issuing state grants and loans to water agencies,

particularly those serving disadvantaged communities; Transparency in Adoption of Drinking Water Standards: require transparency in the adoption of Drinking Water Standards that disclose the cost per capita of reducing long-term cancer/health risks; Greater Representation through Elected Officials who Represent Disadvantaged Communities: Agency would like to see greater emphasis on the selection of persons elected by the people in disadvantaged communities who serve on water boards for such appointments; Local-Approach in Water System Needs Assessments: Encourage greater cooperation between state and local initiatives in the development of need assessments.

No Public Comment

Emergency Supply Agreement with Hi-Desert Water District (Draft)

General Manager West gave her report. The Agency needs an Emergency Supply Agreement with Hi-Desert Water District (HDWD) which would create and adequate safe drinking water supply that would serve both HDWD and the Agency on an "as needed" basis in the event of an emergency.

No Public Comment

Prop. 1 / Round 1 Grant Application Update

General Manager West gave her report. The Agency has been participating in the formulation of a grant application for Proposition 1 Phase 1 funding. This funding opportunity has a little less than \$8,000,000.00 to be distributed in the Colorado Region of the State Water Resources Control Board. The Agency chose to request funding for the replacement well at Goat Mountain because of the low cost of the project (\$500,000.00) and simple CA Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) processes. The Agency would need to pay \$6,100.00 in order for the grant documents to be written. The Committee feels that the \$6,100.00 would be worth spending for the grant request document.

No Public Comment

Opinion from Fifth Appellate District Regarding Inzana v. Turlock Concerning Public/Utility Easements

General Manager West reviews information received from legal counsel concerning Public/Utility Easements.

No Public Comment

Consent Items

- a. Regular PLEGS Committee Meeting Minutes, April 16, 2019

No Public Comment

Vice President Corl-Lorono and Secretary Burkhart approved the minutes as presented.

Public Comment Period

No Public Comment

Verbal Reports

Vice President Corl-Lorono gave a report on her attendance to Sacramento with the California Water Systems Alliance.

Adjournment – Vice President Corl-Lorono adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM

Approved by:



Vice President Corl-Lorono, Committee Chair

