



BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

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

Committee Members: Vice President Burkhart & President Corl-Lorono

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

**September 15, 2020
Time – 9:15 A.M.**

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Burkhart called the meeting to order at 9:20am.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by John Burkhart.

ROLL CALL

Directors: John Burkhart
 Judy Corl-Lorono

Staff: Marina West

No Public present via teleconference or in-person.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Discussion and Action Items

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

The Committee participated via conference call to receive an update on the current status of state and federal legislative issues.

2. Community Water Systems Alliance Update

GM West gave the report on AB 1386 and our letter encouraging the Governor to sign it.

She further noted the packet contains a summary from an Alliance planning meeting held on June 18th. There was another meeting of the Alliance leadership team on September 9, 2020. Due to the China Virus the state legislature held an unusual end of legislative session where many bills were sidelined for future consideration. The Alliance is planning for its legislative focus for the next session and has identified an approach to defining, prioritizing and categorizing bills and our response as either proactive, reactive or opportunistic. GM West gave examples of each. The meeting also focused on governance of the Alliance thru the Steering Committee and the Policy Board. There was an update on new fiscal sponsors as Orange County Water District and Coachella Valley Water District have officially joined with prior members continuing their participation.

Lastly, GM West noted that Gabriel Dima-Smith has left the Alliance team and Mr. Tim Worley has joined the team. Mr. Worley was previously the Executive Director of AWWA Cal-Nevada Section. Adan and Tim have known each other since 1995 when they worked for different member agencies under the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors.

3. Prop. 1 / Round 1 Grant Award (Goat Mountain Replacement Well) Update

GM West reported that the Agency is still waiting to execute the paperwork being funneled through the Mojave Water Agency. Otherwise, the Agency is ready to put the project out to bid as soon as possible.

4. Prop. 1 Planning Grant Project (Uranium Blending Pipeline & Consolidation) Update

GM West reported on progress since the last meeting. Efforts are focused on the CEQA document, required field surveys and Native American consultation. Regarding the later, Agency staff and project consultants met with the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians to discuss their concerns regarding the possible presence of Native American artifacts within the project boundaries. Per their request, we are currently reviewing a draft archeological testing plan comprised of hand-excavated pits dug to the depth of our pipeline excavations. Each pit would be stratigraphically mapped and any artifacts found would be cataloged and reburied in-place. Any human remains would go through a more rigorous review. Once this study is completed, the SMBMI have stated they will sign-off for the completion of the consultation process in accordance with AB52.

5. Ames/Reche Management Area Reporting Update for years 2018-2019

GM West gave the staff report and reviewed several relevant tables and graphs from the report including precipitation, production, recharge, water level and water quality data.

6. ID Goat Mountain Tanks R1, R2A and R2B Project Update

GM West gave the staff report updating the Committee on the progress. The engineering consultant has approved approximately 95% of the "shop drawing" submittals and the next step is for the contractor to "shop fabricate" the various hatches, ladders and railings. Field activities would start thereafter.

7. Consent Items

- a. PLEGS Committee Meeting Minutes, June 16, 2020

No Public comment.

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

8. Public Comment Period

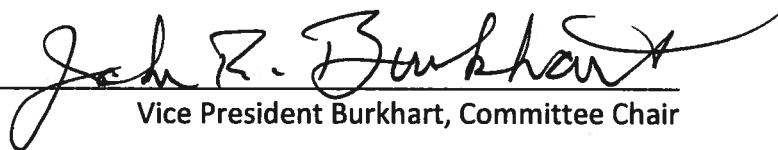
No Public comment

9. Verbal Reports - Including Reports on Courses/Conferences/Meetings

- 1. Committee Members' Comments/Reports – No reports.
- 2. General Manager's Report – No report.

10. Adjournment - Chairman Burkhart adjourned the meeting at 10:30 am.

Approved by:


Vice President Burkhart, Committee Chair



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