



ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ZONE 7

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ORIGINATING SECTION: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
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AGENDA DATE: May 15, 2019

ITEM NO. 18a

SUBJECT: GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SUMMARY: The following highlights a few of the key activities that occurred last month. Also attached is a list of the General Manager (GM) contracts executed during April.

Operations and Maintenance:

Maintenance staff worked on several projects including support work for the Del Valle Water Treatment Plant (DVWTP) Ozonation Project, support work for the Patterson Pass Water Treatment Plant (PPWTP) Expansion and Ozonation Project and annual preventative maintenance activities for the distribution system.

The DVWTP was placed back into service on May 1, 2019.

Administration and Outreach:

PFAS presentation (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances): Staff presented to the Board on April 17, 2019 that the EPA has identified PFAS as contaminants of emerging concern and they have been found in samplings of some of Zone 7 wells. Zone 7 has proactively and immediately taken steps and implemented procedures to reduce PFAS below California's recommended Response Level in the delivered water from the wells. Treatment options for reduction of PFAS include Reverse Osmosis (RO) Membrane filtration and blending of water sources. In keeping with the Zone 7 mission of transparency and commitment to providing a reliable supply of high quality water, staff has notified retailers and has posted the information on the website for the public. The PFAS FAQs can be found at <https://www.zone7water.com/pfas-information> and the staff presentation from the April 17 Board meeting can be found at http://www.zone7water.com/images/pdf_docs/board-presentations/pfas_presentation.pdf.

In the April 17, 2019 Board presentation, PFAS sample results from the Mocho 2 well collected in November 2018 were reported as non-detect. Since then Zone 7 has collected its first quarterly PFAS monitoring samples. All results, except the Mocho 2 Well, were consistent with previous data reported in the April 17, 2019 Board presentation. The Mocho 2 Well has been retested at 48 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFAS. This is below the State-established combined PFAS drinking water response level of 70 ppt. However, it is above the State required notification level of 13 ppt. Staff has provided this additional information to the Retailers.

On April 17, 2019, the Board approved a resolution switching its property and liability insurance from the Alameda County Insurance Pool to the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Agency (ACWA-JPIA). The Agency would continue to use the County for

Workers' Compensation. ACWA-JPIA provides insurance, risk management, and safety programs and training that are specific to the water utility industry.

To celebrate Fix a Leak Week in March, Zone 7 invited elementary school classrooms to participate in a contest. Students took home the EPA Watersense Fix a Leak Week worksheet to learn how to fix leaks and save water at home. Four classrooms participated in the contest and the two with the highest participation rate; John Green Elementary in Dublin and Hearst Elementary in Pleasanton were rewarded with Zone 7 pencils, and a pizza and soda party for the entire class. It was a great learning experience for kids and parents alike as they worked together to check their water meters, play leak detective and scavenge for drips throughout their home. The winning classes were thrilled to have hot pizza delivered by Zone 7 staff to their classrooms on April 25, 2019.

State Water Project (SWP) Activities:

On May 2, 2019, the State Department of Water Resources (DWR) announced that it has withdrawn its WaterFix approvals and has initiated planning and permitting for a smaller single tunnel. This announcement starts to implement Governor Newsom's direction earlier this year to, among other things, implement a Delta Conveyance solution. As stated by DWR, this project is needed to protect water supplies from sea-level rise and saltwater intrusion into the Delta, and well as earthquake risk. DWR will begin environmental permitting, engineering and stakeholder engagement to pursue a single tunnel solution. DWR also announced today that DWR will oversee the planning effort and environmental compliance activities, and the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) will conduct the engineering and design activities necessary to support the environmental permitting. DWR stated today that Governor Newsom is committed to a more transparent and collaborative process with Delta Stakeholders to better communicate the impacts and to work together. Additional information is available on the following website: <https://water.ca.gov/deltaconveyance>

Zone 7 representatives continue to serve on the Boards of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCDCA) and the Delta Conveyance Finance Authority (DCFA). The DCDCA met in April; the DCFA did not meet in March. Minutes for the January 17, 2019 and January 31, 2019 DCDCA meetings are attached to this report. Complete Board packets for both the DCDCA and the DCFA can be found at: <http://www.dcdca.org/#meetings>.

Engineering and Water Quality:

DVWTP Ozonation Project: The contractor continues to install mechanical and electrical equipment inside the ozone contact structure, which is anticipated to be complete in the next several months. The chlorine contact pipeline (CCP) has been completed. Backfilling around the CCP is ongoing and it will be placed in service once the DVWTP comes back online at the beginning of May 2019. The foundation and floor slab of the ozone generation building has been constructed. The ozone generation building structure is anticipated to be complete by the end of June 2019. The new Power and Water Resources Pooling Authority (PWRPA) electrical service facilities were constructed during winter 2018/19. On April 9, 2019, PG&E deactivated the old service connection and activated the new service (pictures below). When the DVWTP comes online in the first week of May, some of the plant processes, such as solids handling, will be utilizing the new PWRPA power service.



PPWTP Upgrades and Ozonation Project: Soils off-haul of the adjacent stockpile will continue through May 1, 2019. Drainage culvert installation at the new plant entrance will begin on May 1, 2019, which will require periodic closure of one lane on Patterson Pass Road. A County approved traffic control plan will be implemented during the lane closure. The trailers for on-site construction offices have arrived. Connecting utilities to those trailers is in progress. Shoring of the treated water pump station excavation is scheduled to be finished on April 29, 2019.

On April 10, Zone 7 hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the PPWTP Upgrades and Ozonation Project. The addition of ozone treatment and plant upgrades are a major improvement to the aging PPWTP and will allow Zone 7 to successfully eliminate taste and odor issues that have become a recurring problem in warm summer months due to algal blooms in source water supplies. The event was well attended and received. Attendees included directors and management from retailers and partner agencies, as well as several local and state elected officials and/or their representatives. It was an excellent opportunity for networking and an opportunity publicly promote a positive project for Zone 7 that has been long in the planning.



Integrated Water Resources:

Zone 7 has launched the 2019 interactive Storm Damage Repairs and Trail Closures Map on the website. This informs the public about current and ongoing work to flood control facilities. The map provides the location and description of work being done as well as any related roadway or trail closures. Updates will be made as often as is necessary, up to twice weekly, during the construction season (summer) and will include before and after photos of the work. The link to the interactive map on the Zone 7 website is:

<https://zone7.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/cd5530b5038e445ba6b628168b1fadbe>

The Final 2019 Water Supply Evaluation Update has been distributed to the retailers and posted online: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/fzhdf6olhcvnmyc/2019%20WSE%20Update.pdf?dl=0>

Living Arroyos celebrated its 100th volunteer event on Saturday, April 20, 2019, which was also the Volunteer Appreciation event. The event included raffle prizes, a light lunch and other celebratory activities. The 72 volunteers in attendance planted over 180 trees and understory plants along a section of the Arroyo Mocho Stanley Reach.

Staff completed the semi-annual groundwater level measuring effort. This includes the measurement of groundwater levels in approximately 230 wells, including wells in San Ramon and the Tracy Subbasins.

Due to high groundwater levels and a 70% allocation from the State Water Project, staff recommends sending 15,000 AF to water banking programs in Kern County. This will store water for use during dry years.

Monthly List of GM Contracts

April 2019

<u>Contracts:</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc.	\$40,000	Groundwater Fate & Transportation Analysis
HF&H Consultants	\$7,000	Preparing a white paper on the impacts of agricultural development on Zone 7 facilities
West Yost Associates	\$48,300	Cost Allocation Study Related to Water Supply Reliability Projects
Balance Hydrologics, Inc.	\$29,291	Installations of streamflow and rainfall gauging stations
San Francisco Estuary Institute	\$21,480	UAS Survey at ADLL for 3 Verona
Full Spectrum Analytics, Inc.	\$5,527.20	Servicing of various equipment
Hanson Bridget, LLP	\$20,000	Legal Services
TOTAL	\$171,598.20	

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, January 17, 2019
1:30PM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors was called to order in the Sacramento Public Library, Tsakopoulos Library Galleria, 828 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, at 1:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Board members in attendance were Tony Estremera, Richard Atwater, Steve Blois, and Sarah Palmer constituting a quorum of the Board.

Staff members in attendance were Jill Duerig, Stefanie Morris, June Skillman, and Harry Soo.

3. CLOSED SESSION

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Estremera convened the open session at approximately 2:00 p.m. and led all present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Gov't Code section 54956.9(d)(2):
 - i. Delta Stewardship Council California WaterFix Consistency Determination
 - ii. Food and Water Watch and Center for Food Safety v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Case No. BC720692.

Ms. Morris reported that there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

- b. Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Gov't Code section 54956.8:
Property: 400 R Street, Sacramento, CA
Agency Negotiator: G.F. Duerig
Negotiating Party: CBRE
Under Negotiation: Lease Price and Terms

Ms. Morris reported that there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

- c. Public Employee Appointment - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957. Title: Executive Director

Ms. Morris reported that the Board would adjourn this meeting until January 31st to allow General Counsel to finalize negotiations for an executive director contract to be brought back to the Board and public.

- d. Conference with Labor Negotiators:
Agency designated representatives: Jill Duerig, Stefanie Morris
Unrepresented employee: Executive Director

Ms. Morris reported that there were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Estremera opened public comment, limiting speaking time to three minutes each.

There were no verbal or written comments from the public.

President Estremera closed Public Comment.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 20, 2018 Special and Regular Board Meetings

Recommendation: Approve minutes of the December 20, 2018 Special and Regular Board Meetings

Move to Approve Minutes from both meetings: Blois

Second: Palmer

Yeas: Estremera, Atwater and Blois

Nays: None

Abstains: Palmer

Recusals: None

Absent: None

Summary: 4 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstention; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as MO 19-01-01)

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items on this month's consent calendar.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. **Consider Passing Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Bentley Systems, Inc.**

Recommendation: Adopt resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a multi-year agreement with Bentley Systems, Inc., to provide a cloud-based Engineering Document Management System and implementation services to be directed by the Executive Director and staff.

Mr. Soo outlined staff’s recommendation. Bentley Systems, Inc., is an American-based software development company that develops, manufactures, licenses, sells, and supports computer software and services. After completing an analysis of the technical requirements for an engineering document management system, staff recommends that the Board authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a sole-source agreement with Bentley Systems, Inc., for their ProjectWise system, which is needed for engineering document management storage and collaboration purposes, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$230,000.

The scope of the services includes, but is not limited to, cloud software, deployment services, software support, additional user licenses, maintenance, and system enhancements.

Move to Approve Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Bentley Systems, Inc., as noted: Atwater
 Second: Palmer
 Yeas: Estremera, Palmer, Atwater, and Blois.
 Nays: None
 Abstains: None
 Recusals: None
 Absent: None
 Summary: 4 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as Resolution 19-01)

b. Consider Authorizing Amendment of the Professional Services Agreement with The Hallmark Group.

Recommendation: Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Interim Executive Director to amend the Professional Services Agreement with The Hallmark Group to extend the contract and provide additional funds of up to \$340,000 for a new total, not-to-exceed amount of \$1,531,360.

Ms. Duerig explained the staff recommendation that the Board authorize the Interim Executive Director to amend the Professional Services Agreement with The Hallmark Group to continue providing transition services supporting the Interim Executive Director until the long-term Executive Director is selected and the Program Management RFQ is awarded.

Move to Approve Resolution to Amend the Professional Services Agreement with The Hallmark Group,
 as noted: Palmer
 Second: Atwater
 Yeas: Estremera, Palmer, Atwater, and Blois.
 Nays: None
 Abstains: None
 Recusals: None
 Absent: None
 Summary: 4 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as Resolution 19-02)

10. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Executive Director Report

A written report was provided in the Board package. Ms. Duerig added that the team successfully negotiated a contract with Jacobs Engineering, the DCA's new Engineering Design Manager. In addition, insurance requirements and indemnity language were updated over what was originally provided in the RFQs. Having this contract signed will serve as a template for the other seven contracts that have been authorized by the board: one for Geotechnical support services, three for Real Estate support services and three for Right of Way/Surveying/Mapping services. The Board had no additional questions or comments.

b. General Counsel Report

A written report was provided in the Board package. The Board had no additional questions or comments.

c. Treasurer's Report

A written report was provided in the Board package. Ms. Skillman highlighted that there were additional reports provided in the Treasurer's Report, budget versus actuals. They will be provided on a monthly basis. Subsequent to December 31, 2018 statements, the DCA submitted the third invoice to DWR on December 5, 2018 and received payment on January 10, 2019 from the State Controller's Office. The fourth DCA invoice was submitted on January 9, 2019. The Board had no additional questions or comments.

d. Verbal Reports

President Estremera requested that Ms. Duerig provide a general overview of the status of Executive Director recruitment. Ms. Duerig responded that the Executive Director selection process is moving forward.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

No future agenda items noted.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

President Estremera adjourned the meeting at 2:22 p.m. to January 31, 2019 at 1:30 p.m., in the Sacramento Public Library, Tsakopoulos Library Galleria, 828 I Street, Sacramento.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 17,2019, ADJOURNED TO:
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6. PUBLIC COMMENT

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Ms. Barbara Barrigan-Parrilla, Restore the Delta, expressed opposition to the California WaterFix Project. She mentioned that there should be more transparency by providing video services for all meetings and video archives, including those of the Finance JPA. Ms. Barrigan-Parrilla concluded with the people of California have a right to know what is being planned, impacts on water supply, environment and finances.

Captain Kurt Taras, Infrastructure Improvement, Inc., protested the disqualification of their proposal for the Program Manager Services RFQ. Captain Tara asked the Board to reconsider qualifying Infrastructure Improvement, Inc., as a responsive proposer based on professional licenses and credentials.

Mr. Seth Jayne, President, Sierra Geotech, expressed support for mandatory DBVE participation goals for procurement of professional engineering services contracts.

Mr. Dan Whaley, Delta Resident and local business owner, expressed opposition to the California WaterFix Project.

Ms. Osha Meserve, an attorney representing local agencies in the North Delta, expressed opposition to the California WaterFix Project.

President Estremera closed Public Comment.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

(a) Consider Minute Order Authorizing Executive Director to Negotiate and Execute a Lease for office space at 400 R Street in Sacramento

Item was deleted from the agenda.

(b) Consider Minute Order Authorizing Board President to Execute an Agreement with Management Partners for Professional Services of Long-Term Executive Director

The recruitment process has been completed for long term Executive Director, Kathryn Mallon, who will be retained through Management Partners. A copy of the agreement and compensation terms were made available to the Board and the public.

Recommendation: Authorize Board President to Execute an Agreement with Management Partners for Professional Services of Long-Term Executive Director, Kathryn Mallon.

Move to Authorize, as noted: Atwater
Second: Palmer
Yeas: Estremera, Atwater, Blois and Palmer
Nays: None
Abstains: None
Recusals: None
Absent: None
Summary: 4 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as MO 19-01-02)

8. VERBAL REPORTS

Ms. Duerig introduced Joshua Nelson as the new Interim General Counsel, the contract with Best Best & Krieger has been amended to reflect this change in staffing. Mr. Nelson will be in this role until the board awards a long-term general counsel contract. Ms. Stefanie Morris has moved on to other endeavors.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

No future agenda items noted.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting of the DCA will be held on February 17, 2019, at 2 p.m. in the Sacramento Public Library, Tsakopoulos Library Galleria, 828 I Street, Sacramento.

Chairperson Estremera adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.