

Meeting: **Sites Reservoir Committee Meeting**

August 19th, 2022
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: **Maxwell Project Office, 122 Old Highway 99**

Reservoir Committee Chair: Thad Bettner (Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District)

Reservoir Committee Vice-Chair: Valerie Pryor (Zone 7 Water Agency)

Treasurer: Jamie Traynham (Davis Water District)

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Bettner called to order the Reservoir Committee Meeting at the hour of 9:00 a.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Roll of the Reservoir Committee was called (Attachment A) which resulted in 19 eligible representatives. This equated to 90.93% of the current participation percentage being in attendance, which is greater than the 50% needed to have a quorum of the Reservoir Committee.

INTRODUCTIONS:

The Sites Staff, Consultants, and members of the public introduced themselves.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

It was moved by Ms. Traynham, seconded by Mr. Ruiz to approve the August 19, 2022, Reservoir Committee Meeting Agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION:

Counsel Doud announced the Reservoir Committee would consider the following Closed Session matters:

5. Closed Session:

5.1 Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code § 54956.8).

Property: [Colusa County] APNs 011-130-004-000, 011-130-011-000, 011-150-017-000, 011-150-018-000, 011-150-020-000

Agency negotiators: Jerry Brown, Kevin Spesert

Negotiating parties: Shirley Jensen

Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

5.2 Negotiations concerning Sites Project operation terms, conditions, and agreements with the Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Gov. Code 54956.6(c)).

- 5.3 Negotiations concerning water rights permit terms and conditions (Govt. Code §54956.9(c) and §54956.9(d)(4)).

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chair Bettner called for a period for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the period for public comment.

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Ms. Pryor, seconded by Ms. Traynham to approve Consent Agenda Item Numbers 1.1 through 1.5 as follows:

- 1.1 Approve the July 22, 2022 Reservoir Committee Meeting Minutes.
- 1.2 Accept the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report.
- 1.3 Approve the Payment of Claims.
- 1.4 Accept the Sites Project Authority's Q2 2022 Budget Year Quarterly Financial Report.
- 1.5 Authorize a Task Order Amendment No. 4 to ICF Task Order No. 3 which would increase the total task order amount by \$257,019 bringing the authorized not to exceed 2022 budget amount to \$5,795,823. Further, authorize a transfer of \$257,019 of Planning and Permitting unrestricted contingency funds to offset the increased task order budget amount.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Action Items:

- 2.1 Approve the 2021 Financial Auditor's Report.

Mr. Trapasso spoke to the 2021 Financial Auditor's Report and summarized the following:

- Development of several financial policies and procedures.
- River City Bank confirmed all funds are insured by FDIC and through their collateralized pool program.
- Participation liability is 8.8 million.

Mr. Kunde mentioned the proper filings of the audit report.

Ms. Traynham explained that Ms. Vaughn, the Authority's Accountant, completes the audit filings.

ACTION:

It was moved by Mr. Azevedo, seconded by Mr. Ruiz to recommend to the Authority Board to approve the 2021 Financial Auditor's Report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- 2.2 Accept the Terminal Regulating Reservoir (TRR) West site for advancing TRR design and authorize amendment of the Amendment 3 work plan and task orders to align with advancing TRR design at the TRR West site.

Mr. Luu gave a presentation on Final TRR Siting and spoke to the following:

- TRR West Considerations and Investigations.
 - Real Estate.
 - Construction Cost.
 - Assumed not to be within Division of Safety of Dams jurisdiction.
- TRR Siting and Recommendations.
 - Acceptance of the TRR West site for advancing TRR design.
 - Removing all planned geotechnical investigation activities required to inform the design of the TRR East site.
 - Redefining all design-related activities for the TRR to focus on the TRR West site.
 - Recommend directing all TRR coordination efforts to reflect the TRR West site.

Ms. Kao inquired about TRR East in the original footprint, as opposed to TRR West.

Chair Bettner noted the Department of Water Resources had originally envisioned TRR East in the original footprint of the project due to reasons like elevation and lower ground that would make it easier to fill, but additional investigations proved TRR West is the logical choice.

ACTION:

It was moved by Mr. Azevedo, seconded by Ms. Pryor to recommend to the Authority Board to accept TRR West site for advancing TRR design and authorize amendment of the Amendment 3 work plan and task orders to align with advancing TRR design at the TRR West site. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. Discussion and Information Items:

- 3.1 Receive a status update on the Project's Water Right application.

Ms. Forsythe gave a presentation on the Water Right Update and spoke to the following:

- Submitted application May 11, 2022, awaiting a response from State Board on acceptance and noticing or needing additional information.
- Water Right Schedule
 - Aug 2022 Board deems application complete and releases public notice of protest period (at least 60 days).
 - Oct 2022 deadline to submit protests.
 - Nov 2022 through April 2023 minimum 180-day protest resolution period.
 - May 2023 through February 2024 hearing preparation, conduct hearing, final decision and written permit issued.

Brief discussion followed.

3.2 Receive an update on the development of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Ms. Forsythe gave a presentation on the Final EIR/EIS update and spoke to the following:

- Roles of Authority Board and Reservoir Committee.
 - Authority Board lead Agency under California Environmental Quality Act takes first CEQA action, members decide in the context of the Authority's decision (not their own agency's decision).
 - Each Reservoir committee Member is a responsible Agency under CEQA, follow on CEQA action prior to the final decision to invest in Project, important that each member's Agency can make this decision based on the Authority's Final EIR/EIS.
- Final EIR/EIS Development, Final EIR/EIS Format, Changes between RDEIR/SDEIS, and Final EIR/EIS to date.
- CEQA Decision Process (In Order)
 1. Certification of the Final EIR completed in compliance with CEQA and reflects agency's independent judgment.
 2. Adopt CEQA Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations.
 3. Decide whether to approve the Project.
- Completion of Administrative Final EIR/EIS in October and concurrent review by Reclamation, legal counsel, and responsible and cooperating agencies.
- Preparation of the complete Final EIR/EIS in early 2023.

Mr. Azevedo spoke to the plan to call out the changes in the Final EIR/EIS Chapters.

Mr. Kunde spoke to the CEQA Decision Process.

Chair Bettner spoke to the project's CEQA Documents in relation to CDFW input.

Brief discussion followed.

4. Reports:

4.1 Chairpersons' Report:

Chair Bettner expressed appreciation for the successful outcome of the landowner meeting.

4.2 Workgroup Chairpersons' Report:

Environmental Workgroup

Ms. Forsythe spoke to the meeting held on August 10th.

Budget & Finance Committee

Ms. Traynham complimented the Sites staff for having a clean audit.

Operations & Engineering Workgroup

Mr. Kunde spoke to the meeting that was held on August 10th and noted there was no reportable action.

4.3 Reservoir Committee Participant Reports:

Mr. Tincher acknowledged Mr. Spesert and his team for their efforts in public outreach that contributed to the successful landowner meetings.

Ms. Pryor spoke to a phone call from a San Francisco Chronicle Reporter, that will be writing an article on Sites.

4.4 Executive Director's Reports:

Executive Director Brown spoke to the following:

- Organizational Chart.
- Environmental Water Manager.
- Contrast on the Colorado River Storage and Sites Project.
- Monthly Status Report.
- Work Plan Progress Report.
- Meetings Action Items Summary.

Chairman Bettner declared a recess at 10:28 a.m. and convened into Closed Session to consider Closed Session matters 5.1 through 5.3.

5. Closed Session:

Chairman Bettner adjourned Closed Session at 11:40 a.m. and reconvened into Open Session.

6. Report from Closed Session

Counsel Doud stated as to Closed Session Matters there was no reportable action taken.

7. Recap:

7.1 Suggested Future Agenda Items.

None.

7.2 Upcoming Meetings:

Authority Board

Wednesday, August 24, 2022 - 1:30 to 4:00 PM
Maxwell Project Office, 122 Old Highway 99

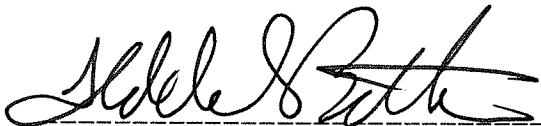
Plan of Finance Workshop – Project Costs

Tuesday, September 13, 2022 - 9:00 to 10:00 AM
Maxwell Project Office, 122 Old Highway 99

Joint Reservoir Committee & Authority Board

Friday, September 16, 2022 - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Maxwell Project Office, 122 Old Highway 99

Chairman Bettner adjourned the Reservoir Committee Meeting at the hour of 11:41 p.m.



Thad Bettner, Chairman



Sandra Yarbrough, Board Clerk

Current Voting Committee Participants (22):

<i>Pct</i>	<i>Participant</i>		<i>Pct</i>	<i>Participant</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.47	American Canyon, City	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.57	LaGrande WD (1)
<input type="checkbox"/>	2.42	Antelope Valley-East Kern WA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	17.29	Metropolitan WD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.28	Coachella Valley WD	<input type="checkbox"/>	3.47	Reclamation District 108
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.28	Colusa County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.42	Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.05	Colusa Co. WD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8.70	San Bernardino Valley MWD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.41	Cortina WD (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6.48	San Gorgonio Pass WA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.87	Davis WD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.42	Santa Clara Valley WD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.00	Department of Water Resources (non-voting)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.77	Santa Clarita Valley WA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4.22	Desert WA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.89	Westside WD
<input type="checkbox"/>	3.17	Dunnigan WD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.19	Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.77	Glenn-Colusa ID	<input type="checkbox"/>	.00	US Bureau of Reclamation (non-voting)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2.57	Irvine Ranch WD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.28	Zone 7 WA
			100.00	Total	

19 Voting members represented at Meeting start

90.93% Represented participation percentage

Representation has been delegated as follows:

(1) To Jamie Traynham, Davis WD

(‡) Not present after _____

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Current Voting Reservoir Committee Participants (22):

<i>Participant</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Representative</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate/Delegate</i>
American Canyon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felix Hernandez	<input type="checkbox"/> Jason Holley
Antelope Valley-East Kern	<input type="checkbox"/> Dwayne Chisam	<input type="checkbox"/> Dan Flory
Coachella Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> Robert Cheng	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petya Vasileva
Colusa County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Azevedo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Evans
Colusa County Water District	<input type="checkbox"/> Halbert Charter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelly Murphy
Cortina Water District	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Peterson	<input type="checkbox"/> Chuck Grimmer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Traynham
Davis Water District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Traynham	<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Charter
Desert Water Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark Krause	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Johnson
Dunnigan Water District	<input type="checkbox"/> Bill Vanderwaal	<input type="checkbox"/> Jake Spooner
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thad Bettner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Holley Dawley
Irvine Ranch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Weghorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Kellie Welch
LaGrande Water District	<input type="checkbox"/> Zach Dennis	<input type="checkbox"/> Ken LaGrande <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Traynham
Metropolitan Water District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randall Neudeck	<input type="checkbox"/> Nina Hawk
RD 108	<input type="checkbox"/> Bill Vanderwaal	<input type="checkbox"/> Lewis Bair
Rosedale-Rio Bravo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trent Taylor	<input type="checkbox"/> Dan Bartel
San Bernardino Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Tincher	<input type="checkbox"/> Heather Dyer
San Geronio Pass	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lance Eckhart	<input type="checkbox"/> Thomas Todd
Santa Clara Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cindy Kao	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katherine Maher
Santa Clarita Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dirk Marks	<input type="checkbox"/> Steve Cole
Westside Water District	<input type="checkbox"/> Allan Myers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Ruiz
Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Kunde	<input type="checkbox"/> Sheridan Nicholas
Zone 7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Valerie Pryor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amparo Flores

Non-Voting Committee Participants (2):

Participant	Representative/		/Other	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> /Other	<input type="checkbox"/> /Other	<input type="checkbox"/> /Other
Dept of Water Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Rob Cooke	<input type="checkbox"/> David Sandino	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alex Vdovichenko	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jagruti Maroney	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Wieking	<input type="checkbox"/> Dave Arrate	
Bureau of Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Ajay Goyal	<input type="checkbox"/> Don Bader	<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Duke	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Richard Welsh	<input type="checkbox"/> Derya Sumer	<input type="checkbox"/> Jessica Boyt	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Vanessa King	<input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Jacobs	<input type="checkbox"/> Shana Kaplan	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Allison Jacobson			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Natalie Taylor			

Authority, Non-Signatory (6):

Participant	Representative		Alternate	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Representative	<input type="checkbox"/> Alternate	<input type="checkbox"/> Alternate	<input type="checkbox"/> Alternate
PCWA	<input type="checkbox"/> Ed Horton	<input type="checkbox"/> Ben Barker	<input type="checkbox"/> Darin Reintjes	
Roseville	<input type="checkbox"/> Sean Bigley	<input type="checkbox"/> Trevor Joseph	<input type="checkbox"/> Jason Marks	
Sacramento County WA	<input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Harris	<input type="checkbox"/> Brett Ewart	<input type="checkbox"/> Ann Sanger	

Staff:

<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Representing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brown, Jerry	Sites Project Authority
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forsythe, Ali	Sites Project Authority
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robinette, JP	Sites Project Authority
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spesert, Kevin	Sites Project Authority

<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Representing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trapasso, Joe	Sites Project Authority
<input type="checkbox"/> Tirado, Yolanda	Sites Project Authority
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yarbrough, Sandra	Sites Project Authority

Consultants:

<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Representing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alexander, Jeriann	Fugro
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grace, Lui	HDR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arsenijevic, Jelica	HDR
<input type="checkbox"/> Boling, Robert	ICF
<input type="checkbox"/> Briard, Monique	

<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Representing
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown, Doug	Stradling
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brown, Scott	LWA
<input type="checkbox"/> Bruner, Marc	Perkins Coie
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Davies, Justin	Brown & Caldwell
<input type="checkbox"/> Forrest, Mike	AECOM

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<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Representing
<input type="checkbox"/> Floyd, Kim	Floyd
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harris, Cheyanne	Brown & Caldwell
<input type="checkbox"/> Herrin, Jeff	AECOM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heydinger, Erin	HDR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katz, Sara	Katz & Associates
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kivett, Marcia	Brown & Caldwell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doud, Alan	Young Wooldridge
<input type="checkbox"/> Leaf, Robert	Ch2m
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luu, Henry	HDR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> McDonald C	CMD West
<input type="checkbox"/> Micko, Steve	Ch2m

<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Representing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maltby, Marcus	Brown & Caldwell
<input type="checkbox"/> Montague, Doug	Montague DeRose Assoc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nielsen, Caitlin	HDR
<input type="checkbox"/> Rossetto, Sarah	Katz & Associates
<input type="checkbox"/> Rude, Peter	Ch2m
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spranza, John	HDR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traynham, Hailey	Brown & Caldwell
<input type="checkbox"/> Van Camp, Marc	MBK
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Warner Herson, Laurie	Phenix
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Westcot, Cathy	HDR

Other Attendees: (Check box to have email address added to the distribution list)

Name	Representing	Contact (Phone & E-mail)
Laura Nicholson	Senator Jim Nielsen's Office	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ashley Metzger	Desert Water	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brad Kuhn	Nossaman	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cindy Saks	SBVWMD	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emmett Campbell	Mojave Water Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mark Shafer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Margie Namba		<input type="checkbox"/>
Ed Toms	AECOM	Eatomsco@gmail.com