

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

2700 Foothill Boulevard
La Crescenta, California

Agenda for the
Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Crescenta Valley Water District
to be held on September 23, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Posted: September 19, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

Any written materials distributed to the Board in connection with this agenda will be made available at the same time for public inspection at the District office located at the above address.

Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Agenda

Public Comments

At this time the public shall have an opportunity to comment on any non-agenda item relevant to the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. This opportunity is non-transferable and speakers are limited to one three (3) minute comment.

Foothill Municipal Water District Report

1. Report on activities at Foothill Municipal Water District.

Consent Calendar

1. Consideration and approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting September 9, 2014.
2. Ratification of Disbursements for August 2014.
3. Consideration to authorize attendance of up to two directors and one member of staff to attend the ACWA Fall Conference to be held December 3-5, 2014 in San Diego, CA.

Action Calendar

The public shall have an opportunity to comment on any action item as each item is considered by the Board prior to action being taken. This opportunity is non-transferable and speakers are limited to one two (2) minute comment.

1. **Purchase of a Replacement Small Dump Truck, Project C-948** - Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to purchase a replacement vehicle for the small dump truck (Unit 13) from Galpin Ford, and truck body modifications from California Truck Equipment Company at a total cost of \$51,653.
2. **8-Inch Water Main Replacement on the 2900 Blocks of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta St. - Project E-947** Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for the construction of 2,215 lineal feet of pipeline replacement on the 2900 blocks of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta St. and the 4900 block of Glenwood Ave. with an engineer's estimate for construction of \$435,000 and to find said project exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
3. **FY 2014/15 Sewer Main Re-Lining Project, Project S-942** - Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for the re-lining of 2,330 feet of sewer main with an engineer's estimate for construction of \$87,800 and to find said project exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
4. **Discussion of Board Vacancy** – Discussion and possible motion regarding the procedure for filling the pending vacancy on the Board of Directors.

Information Items

Written Communications to District

Staff Reports

Secretary-Treasurer

1. Cash and Investments –September 23, 2014.

General Manager

1. Administrative Report.

District Engineer

1. Water Production Report –September 1 – 21, 2014.
2. Report on Administrative and Field Operations.

Program Specialist

1. Report on Water Conservation issues.

Information Technology

1. Report of Information Technology issues.

Attorney

1. Report on legal and related matters relevant to the District.

Reports of Committees

Engineering Committee

1. Consideration of engineering issues affecting the District.

Finance Committee

1. Consideration of financial issues affecting the District.

Employee Relations Committee

1. Consideration of employee relations issues affecting the District.

Policy Committee

1. Report of Policy Committee meeting held on September 16, 2014.

Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee

1. Report of Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee meeting held on September 16, 2014.

Emergency Planning Committee

1. Consideration of emergency planning issues affecting the District.

Director's Oral Reports

Report on issues, meetings, or activities attended by Directors.

Closed Session

- **Conference with Legal Counsel**
 - Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: One case.
- **Public Employee Appointment (§54957)**
 - Title: General Manager

Board Members' Request for Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 9, 2014

Pursuant to the order of the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District, made at the Adjourned Regular Meeting of August 12, 2014, a Regular Meeting was held on September 9, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the District office at 2700 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta, California, with President James D. Bodnar presiding.

At roll call, the following Directors and staff members were present:

Directors:	James D. Bodnar Kerry D. Erickson Kenneth R. Putnam Kathleen M. Ross Judy L. Tejeda
Attorney:	Thomas S. Bunn
General Manager:	Dennis A. Erdman
Secretary-Treasurer:	Ron L. Mitchell
District Engineer:	David S. Gould
Others Present:	Mark Hass, IT Manager Wendy Holloway, Customer Accounts Supervisor Christy Scott, Program Specialist Larry Byers, Plant Superintendent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Bodnar opened the meeting by asking Director Erickson to lead the Board and staff in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Director Ross, seconded by Director Erickson and carried by a 5-0 vote that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 9, 2014 be adopted as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT – A customer of the District who is consciences about conserving water is concerned about a new neighbor who is going to build a new pool and the amount of water that will be used for the construction and filling of the pool.

FOOTHILL MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REPORT – Mr. Erdman reported that FMWD Director Atwater has scheduled a Colorado River Tour in October 11-12, 2014. Please let him know if any of the Directors are interested in attending.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Director Ross, seconded by Director Erickson and carried by a 5-0 vote to approve the Minutes of the Adjourned Regular Board Meeting held on August 12, 2014.

ACTION CALENDAR

Claim for Damages – Mr. Mitchell reported that as part of the District's 8" water main replacement along the 3000 Block of Paraiso Way last March 3 – 7, 2013, Brkich Construction was re-connecting each property's water meter to the new water main. Mr. Wurst's property was part of the water meter re-connections during the week of March 3-7, 2013. Mr. Wurst contacted staff regarding property damage to his home and said that the exercising of the valves caused sediments from the water main and clogged his fixtures. When he returned home, he found water on the floor, counter tops, walls and ceilings and stated that his plumber told him that water being turned off and on drastically sent a surge of water which caused the damages. Ms. Olmedo talked with Mr. Wurst about the damages and provided him with a CVWD claim and instructed him on how to complete the form and return it to the office. Mr. Wurst said that he dropped off the claim form on March 26, 2014; however, staff could not locate the claim form and asked Mr. Wurst to provide a copy which was received May 30, 2014. Staff reviewed the claim form and noted that there were no corresponding receipts attached supporting the amount of the claim in the amount of \$2,795. Staff contacted Mr. Wurst on more than one occasion requesting copies of the invoices for the repairs. On June 26, 2014, the District wrote a letter to Mr. Wurst explaining the District's Rules and Regulation pertaining to claims for damage and again requested copies of the invoices be provided. To this date, staff has not heard from Mr. Wurst or received any receipts to support the claim. On August 27, 2014 a copy of the claim form and the District's letter was sent to Mr. Bunn for his legal opinion and he recommended that this be brought to the Board of Directors for action. Mr. Bunn believes that the letter of June 26, 2014 constitutes a notice of insufficiency for the claim. It is staff's recommendation that the Board of Directors deny this claim in the amount of \$2,795 due to Mr. Wurst non-response and thereby deems the claim as insufficient in accordance with CVWD's Rules and Regulations.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Putnam, seconded by Director Tejeda and carried by a 5-0 vote to deny the claim in the amount of \$2,795.00 and refer this to Brkich Construction.

Discussion Regarding the Acceptance of Credit Cards for Payment of Water/Wastewater Bills – Mr. Hass reported that the District currently offers physical check, cash, and online ACH (bank account transfers) as payment methods for customers to pay their utility bills. Customers are inquiring more and more on when the District will take credit/debit cards for payments. In previous discussions the cost to the District per transaction has been a major deterrent for acceptance of this method. The District currently incurs a nominal charge per transaction for ACH transfer and the gap for other methods raised many concerns about ownership of the fees. Staff has researched the topics involved with adding credit/debit cards to the utility billing payment methods and found the merchant services market and special offerings for utility billing have matured greatly over the last few years. In lieu of variable fees that could swing fairly randomly, utility rates center on "fixed" percentage rates based on contractual criteria beyond merchant agreements. It is staff's recommendation to authorize the General Manager to enter into a contract with Onlinebills.com as our current merchant service to add credit/debit cards to the District's current payment offerings. Staff found this vendor can provide safe, secure, and competitive offering using existing software and management tools to ensure our customer's satisfaction.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Putnam, seconded by Director Ross and carried by a 5-0 vote to allow credit/debit cards for utility payments.

Revision to Section 12.04 of the Rules and Regulations, Sale of District Personal Property –

Mr. Mitchell reported that at the May 5, 2014 Board meeting, staff requested that three service trucks be designated as surplus property and direct the General Manager to dispose of them in a manner most beneficial to the District. During the discussion, the Board felt that the current language of Section 12.04 of the District's Rules and Regulations Manual needed to be updated to include electronic advertising and eliminate provisions that gave employees the ability to submit a \$1 more than the highest sealed bid and receive the item. On June 24, 2014, the Policy Committee met and discussed the current policy. The committee recommended that language be added to outline the goal of the District when disposing of surplus assets, add a clause to include electronic forms of advertising assets for sale and eliminate and streamline the bullet points of the policy. The Committee wants to make sure that the public and employees of the District have the same opportunity to purchase surplus assets. The Committee met again on August 26, 2014 and reviewed the changes identified in the revised Section 12.04. It is the recommendation of the Policy Committee to approve revisions to Section 12.04 of the District's Rules and Regulation pertaining to the sale of surplus District personal property.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Ross, seconded by Director Tejeda and carried by a 5-0 vote to adopt the changes to Section 12.04 of the District's Rules and Regulations with changes that were discussed.

Discussion of Board Vacancy – This agenda item has been tabled and moved to the meeting on September 23, 2014.

Replacement of Booster Pump and Motor Assembly at Eagle Canyon Reservoir, Project E-941

– Mr. Gould reported Eagle Canyon Booster Pump B (Eagle B) was designed to operate at 1200 gpm with a 75 hp motor. Eagle B was rehabilitated in January 2009 and has a history of inefficient operation since it was first installed. CVWD has planned on replacing the existing pump with a slightly smaller and more efficient pump in previous years. Mr. Gould said that the pump is critical for the distribution of water in summer months to Zone 9, Goss Canyon Reservoir. On July 30, 2014, staff solicited bids for the inspection and replacement of the pump, motor, and discharge head. A pre-bid meeting was held on August 28, 2014, and on September 4, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., the District opened and read bid proposals for this project. Tri County Pump Company of San Bernardino, CA. was the lowest responsible bidder at \$33,735. Staff has worked with Tri County Pump Company in the past on well and booster pump projects and the experience was very positive. It is staff's recommendation to award the project to Tri County Pump Company at a cost of \$33,735, with a 10% contingency amount of \$3,373 to cover the cost of unforeseen or additional work. Staff is requesting the Board find this project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Ross, seconded by Director Tejeda and carried by a 5-0 vote to authorize the General Manager to award the project to Tri County Pump Company at a cost of \$33,735, include a 10% contingency and find this project exempt from CEQA.

General Manager's Compensation – The Board discussed the compensation of the General Manager, and will discuss the contract in the closed session.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Putnam, seconded by Director Erickson to increase the General Managers salary 5%.

Following further discussion:

It was moved by Director Tejada, seconded by Director Ross and carried by a 4-1 (Putnam) vote to amend the original motion that will increase the General Manager's salary by 2.5%.

The board passed the amended motion by a 4-1 (Putnam) vote.

INFORMATION ITEMS – Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce flyer; Remembrance Parade on September 11, 2014. MWD announces record breaking success in water saving rebate program. CV Weekly; Water conservation is for everyone, La Canada to reconvene Water Committee, Five years after the Station Fire. La Canada Online: Community recalls the Station Fire. Legislative Analyst's Office: Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. Water Education Foundation: Water 101 – The Basics and Beyond Course. ACWA News Release; ACWA Applauds Passage of Groundwater Legislation, ACWA steps to take regarding the Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, Guidelines for Public Agencies regarding ballot measures. CV Weekly; Drought Watch: Rethinking Urban Water pricing.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO DISTRICT – E-mail sent to Dennis Erdman from FMWD regarding a Metropolitan Water District sponsored Colorado River Inspection trip on October 11 & 12, 2014. Letter to Dennis Erdman and Christy Scott thanking them for helping Jakob Knoepfel gather information regarding the drought for his senior paper.

REPORTS OF PERSONNEL

SECRETARY-TREASURER – Mr. Mitchell provided the Summary of Cash and Investment report which contained the following items:

Investment Portfolio Summary – as of September 9, 2014:

Cash Accounts	(\$325,044)
Great Pacific Securities	\$39,772
Bond Debt Service Fund Acct	\$243,336
Local Agency Investment Fund	\$1,743,760
Federal Farm Credit (78)	\$491,545
Federal Farm Credit (81)	\$971,150
Federal Farm Credit (83)	\$496,540
Federal Farm Credit (86)	\$958,680
Federal Farm Credit (87)	\$496,810
US Treasury (92)	\$947,190
US Treasury (93)	\$947,190
Federal Farm Credit (94)	\$945,680
Federal Farm Credit (95)	\$580,152

MTBE Contingency Funds

Local Agency Investment Fund	\$2,694,779
Great Pacific Securities	\$1,193,650
Federal Farm Credit (M-17)	\$998,830
Federal Farm Credit (M-19)	\$989,350
Federal Farm Credit (M-25) NEW	\$1,001,710
Federal Farm Credit (M-26) NEW	\$1,043,969
US Treasury (M-27) NEW	\$998,805
Federal Farm Credit (M-28) NEW	\$1,002,380

Fund Balances at May 31, 2014

Water	\$14,427,225.93
Wastewater	\$4,568,803.25

GENERAL MANAGER – Mr. Erdman reported the water sales for August 2014 were approximately 15% less than in August 2013. Water sales have held steady over the past number of years; however the long term trend line is down with drought conditions and customer conservation playing a big role in the declining water sales numbers. Declining sales also means lower revenue dollars and the District could see a revenue reduction of about \$590,000. The Well rehabilitation program is now complete. Due to the program local water production decreased and this required the District to purchase more imported water at a cost of \$900,000 more than budgeted. District staff members have had the opportunity to take two important training classes. One of the classes was the first half of OSHA's awareness and safety. The second half of OSHA's class will be in early October. The second class was on Defensive Driving presented by ACWA/JPIA and was attended by all employees. The District has worked 104 days without a lost time accident. Employee's anniversaries this month are Bryan Jones (19 years), Lynne Sovich (10 years), Brook Yared (7 years), Pete Hilke (2 years), Cesar Avila (2 years), and Alan Verdi (1 year). He also reported on helping out the Prom Plus event and that he spoke at the Kiwanis Club meeting.

DISTRICT ENGINEER

Water Production – For the period of August 1 through August 31, 2014, water production averaged 132.3 million gallons per day, which is **14.9% less** than the daily average production of the same period in 2013. This is **14.4% less** from the daily average production of the previous five years.

Rainfall: August 2014	0.04"
Season-to-date:	9.07"

Administrative and Field Operations – Mr. Gould provided a memorandum and discussed the following:

Rainfall Update – 0.04" for August 2014. Rainfall total for 2013-14 is 9.07".

Report on Engineering

CIP Projects – Well Rehabilitation, E-934 – Well 5, 8, 9 & 12 – back in service. Well 11 – Postpone to November 2014. Ocean View Chlorination Project – Piping project – Construction to start on September 11, 2014. Building Project – finalizing design. Oak Creek MCC – Finalizing project for bidding. Eagle Canyon – Booster B – Award of

Contract. Pipeline Replacement – 8 inch water main on the 2900 Block of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta and 4800 Block of Glenwood Avenue – design complete.

Crescent Valley County Park - Local Groundwater Assistance Grant – Flow monitoring in Verdugo Wash – Completed, Working on Calibration. Monitoring Wells – Pre-Bid – 1 bidder; project delayed until October 2014. Task Force Meeting – September 24, 2014.

Glendale – Rockhaven Well – Grant application under review by DWR. Meeting on September 11, 2014 to review cost analysis and agreement.

Ocean View Overflow/Drain Line – Discussed at the September 5, 2014 Engineering Committee Meeting. Reviewing options.

Verdugo/Montrose Water Main Break – Meeting with Glendale on September 16, 2014.

FMWD Issues – No Report.

ULARA – Watermaster & Legal Counsel contracts expires on December 31, 2014 – Working on new 3 year agreement.

Water Meter Replacement Program – Start FY 14/15 Water Meter Replacement Program – Replaced 85 meters to date. Staff to review program with alternatives to accelerate meter replacement with Engineering Committee.

Report on Administrative and Field Operations:

Well Status – Well production capacity – increased from 1.9 MGD to 2.5 MGD with Well 8. Well 8 – 160 gpm before rehab; 357 gpm after rehab.

Booster Pumps – No Report.

Water Quality – No Report.

Reservoirs/Booster Stations – No Report.

Field Maintenance and Operations update for August 11 – 31 & September 1 – 8, 2014

Water lateral leaks & repairs

- 5724 Freeman
- 3041 Manhattan
- 3333 Alabama
- 3041 Prospect
- 5141 Cloud
- 4710 Sunset

Water Main Leaks – 3100 Block of Brookhill Avenue.

Fire Hydrant Replacement – No Report.

Sewer Maintenance – 2800 & 2900 Blocks of Montrose, 4100 Block of La Crescenta, 2600 & 2700 Blocks of Mayfield, 2600 & 2700 Blocks of Fairway, 2600 & 2700 Blocks of Montrose, 5400 Block of Fierro Court, 5400 Block of La Crescenta, 2700 Block of Mountain Pine, 2700 Block of Timberlake. 5300 & 5400 Blocks of Pineridge, 5300 & 5400 Blocks of Pineglen, 2400 Block of Shields, 2400 & 2500 Blocks Olive, 2400 & 2500 Blocks of Rockdell, 2400 & 2500 Blocks of Upper Terrace.

PROGRAM SPECIALIST – Ms. Scott reported that the turf rebate program has exploded through August 18th. There has been 25,000 square feet of turf removed in the last 2 months. Descanso Gardens is holding a Rain Barrel & Drought Tolerant Landscape event this Sunday, September 14, 2014. The reservations filled up in 3 days. She also reported that the District's website is getting a lot of hits from customer reporting water wasters.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – Mr. Hass reported that there has been an automatic transfer switch installed on the generator at the main office.

ATTORNEY – No Report.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Engineering Committee – Mr. Gould reported that the Committee met on September 5, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. and reviewed the Well Levels and Well Capacity Status Charts, Options for Ocean View Reservoir Overflow/Drain Pipe, Status of Rockhaven Well Project, and the Status of FY 2014/15 Capital Improvement Project Program.

Finance Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met; however a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Employee Relations Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee met on August 29, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and reviewed the salary survey and discussed filling a position due to a pending retirement.

Policy Committee – Director Ross reported that the Committee met on August 26, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. and had a discussion regarding a policy on large lots, disposal of surplus property. Another meeting has been scheduled on September 16, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee – Director Erickson reported that the Committee will meet on September 16, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.

Emergency Planning Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met; however a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

DIRECTORS ORAL REPORTS

Director Ross reported that she will represent CVWD in the September 11, 2014 parade. Also she spoke of her moving to the FMWD Board and will help with the process to get a replacement if needed.

Director Erickson reported that he was asked to be back on the La Canada Water Committee. The first meeting will be to refresh the committee on where things are at on September 24, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the City Hall. In the Sunday Newspress he talked about an editorial that states CVWD is installing pipes for irrigation at CV Commons, which is not true. The reporter will be contacted to clarify this issue. He also stated that he received the Pipeline in the mail.

Director Bodnar reported that on August 16th he attended the CV Ready event and that they simulated a heat wave and that Bryan Jones participated in this exercise for the District. August 29th he attended the Employee Relations Committee meeting. September 7th he toured the CV Commons project. He was also contacted by a customer regarding large lots and that the Directors should be careful not to violate the Brown Act. On his last billing statement, he said that he used 12,000 gallons less than the same time the year before.

Director Tejeda reported that she attended the JPIA meeting and that they lowered the rates by 10% to the member agencies from last year to combat with PERS. She also reported that JPIA members should be able to manage their own health care through an application they now have. She attended the Energy Committee Meeting and discussed grants that are available for various projects. She also attended the JPIA Defensive Driving Training luncheon at the plant. She toured the CV Commons with Robbyn Battles.

Director Putnam talked about the CV Commons project and how CVTC took over the project and the friction it cause between the Boy Scout and the Council. However, the Boy Scout did earn his Eagle from the project.

Before Closed Session, Mr. Mitchell requested and the Board agreed to change the Board meeting date in November from the 18th to the 19th.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in Closed Session and unanimously approved an agreement with Mr. Erdman to extend his current contract on a month-to-month basis and to work with legal counsel on an amendment to include other items that have been negotiated.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board at 10:15 p.m., it was moved by Director Tejeda and seconded by Director Erickson that the meeting be adjourned to September 23, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED

James D. Bodnar
President

Ron L. Mitchell
Secretary-Treasurer

CASH DISBURSEMENTS LIST

AUGUST 2014



Check#	Check Date	Payable To	Description	Water Amount	Wastewater Amount
0	8/25	Southern California Edison Co.	Power purchased	34,955.93	519.80
30294	8/5	Larry Byers	Dental Reimbursement	57.60	38.40
30295	8/5	Dennis A. Erdman	Health Reimbursement	127.16	84.77
30296	8/5	Mark Hass	Health Reimbursement	360.00	240.00
30297	8/6	Adventist Health	David Rawlings first aid & drug screen after accident	118.95	39.65
30298	8/6	Jose Aello	Refund Check	41.32	
30299	8/6	AGM Electronics, Inc	Module for Glendale Sewer Diverter Valve		676.40
30300	8/6	Jesus Ampil	Turf rebate	2,250.00	
30301	8/6	Aqua - Metric Sales, Co.	Two 3" Sensus Omni C2 meters	4,332.50	
30302	8/6	AVAYA Financial Services	Land line lease	380.70	126.88
30303	8/6	Arindam Bose	Turf rebate	2,400.00	
30304	8/6	Bryan's Prompt Plumbing	M-944 cleanout service 2653 Piedmont	160.00	
30305	8/6	Capital One Commercial	Office supplies	374.99	374.99
30306	8/6	Cargill, Inc - Salt Division	25 tons of salt for Nitrate Plant	2,891.81	
30307	8/6	Charles P. Crowley Co.	2 - Repair kits for chlorine boosters at Glenwood	1,101.65	
30308	8/6	Charter Communications	Fiber Optic, cable at Glenwood & Mills 07/2014	2,273.31	757.76
30309	8/6	Charter Communications	Internet, Fiber Optic, cable Office 07/2014	1,665.74	555.24
30310	8/6	City of Glendale Police Dept	Permit renewal	75.75	25.25
30311	8/6	Colonial Life & Accidents Ins.	Employee paid insurance	183.61	
30312	8/6	Connectronics Corp.	Convert (2) spare 400 amp panels for portable generators	990.54	
30313	8/6	Consolidated Elec. Distributor	Electrical supplies for SCADA	590.48	
30314	8/6	Corporate Telecomm	Repairs to IP phone	56.25	18.75
30315	8/6	County of Los Angeles	District's share of 2014/15 LAFCO operating expenses	3,787.54	
30316	8/6	CPC System, Inc.	Service chlorinators at Glenwood	392.50	
30317	8/6	Roger Eman	Turf rebate	2,400.00	
30318	8/6	Eurofins Eaton Analytical Inc.	Water Analysis	40.00	
30319	8/6	Grainger	4 - well timers 6X137	211.25	
30320	8/6	Great America Leasing Corp.	Kyocera Copier lease	434.91	434.91
30321	8/6	Kelly & Matt Huchthausen	Refund Check	93.23	
30322	8/6	KR Nida Companies	Uninstall radio and antenna from unit #2	123.75	41.25
30323	8/6	L.A. County Dept. Public Works	Excavation permits	3,872.00	
30324	8/6	Lagerlof, Senecal, Gosney & Kr	Public Water Agencies Group	490.76	163.58

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30325	8/6	Los Angeles Times	Subscription renewal	67.29	22.43
30326	8/6	Hilda Ohanian	Turf rebate	2,400.00	
30327	8/6	Pump Check	Meter testing for Glenwood Booster& Wells 5, 9, & 12	870.00	
30328	8/6	Royal Wholesale Electric	3/4" white nylon cloth	84.71	6.54
30329	8/6	Sawyer Petroleum	801 gal.clear diesel at Glenwood	2,411.72	803.91
30330	8/6	Scotty's & Sons, Inc	Misc. tools	165.15	165.15
30331	8/6	Marsha Shaffel	Turf rebate	3,600.00	
30332	8/6	Belinda Smith	Turf rebate	2,100.00	
30333	8/6	Staples Business Advantage	Misc supplies	80.66	80.65
30334	8/6	Still Mor Automotive Inc.	Unit #36- Repair radiator hose and flush system	191.42	63.80
30335	8/6	Yoshie Takahashi	M-944 Claim for damages caused by main break	137.46	
30336	8/6	The Gas Company	Gas purchased 07/2014 office	12.66	4.22
30337	8/6	Toro's Lawnmower & Garden	Maintenance of chopsaw	95.94	146.96
30338	8/6	Univar USA Inc	1317 gallons of sodium hypochlorite	2,256.91	
30339	8/6	UPS	Shipping charges plant	22.81	22.81
30340	8/6	Vision Service Plan Co-(CA)	Group Vision 08/2014	264.55	176.36
30341	8/6	Vulcan Materials Company	M-944 Main break Montrose/Verdugo	2,740.74	
30342	8/6	Vulcan Materials Company	M-944 Main break Montrose/Verdugo	2,700.00	
30343	8/6	Water Well Redevelopers Inc	E-934 Well #8	650.00	
30344	8/6	Western Water Works	Two 6" X 6" standard repair clamps	672.42	
30345	8/12	Kristine Abrenica	Refund Check	40.22	
30346	8/12	ACWA/JPIA	Health insurance for 09/2014	32,889.24	21,926.16
30347	8/12	ADS, LLC	Monthly monitoring		1,015.00
30348	8/12	American Water Works Assoc.	Membership renewal	1,372.50	457.50
30349	8/12	Ameripride Uniform Services, Inc	Uniform rentals 07/2014	547.50	182.50
30350	8/12	Anawalt Lumber & Materials Co.	Misc hardware 07/2014	317.69	12.54
30351	8/12	ARC	Monthly maps billing	615.66	205.22
30352	8/12	Arrowhead Mountain Spring Water	Distilled water	48.11	
30353	8/12	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water analysis	974.00	
30354	8/12	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water analysis	2,092.10	
30355	8/12	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water analysis	954.00	
30356	8/12	Best Drilling & Pump, Inc.	E-934 Well rehabilitation	57,456.00	
30357	8/12	Blastco Inc.	E-936 - Retension payment	15,496.49	
30358	8/12	Bonnars Equipment Rentals	Misc rentals 07/2014	110.50	
30359	8/12	CalPers	Employee contributions	22,718.77	15,145.85
30360	8/12	Charles Z. Fedak & Company	Progress billing for audit 06/2014	914.00	914.00
30361	8/12	City of Glendale - Permits	Excavation permits	815.64	
30362	8/12	City of Glendale Police Dept	Alarm system permit renewal	75.00	25.00
30363	8/12	City of LA Bureau Sanitation	Sewerage facilities charges		15,338.15

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30365	8/12	Consolidated Elec. Distributor	Electrical materials for Well #5	205.62	
30366	8/12	Corporate Telecomm	Land line lease	175.54	58.49
30367	8/12	Craig Estates & Fine Properties	Refund Check	31.12	
30368	8/12	Crescenta Valley Tow Service	Tow unit #12 to Santa Clarita	129.00	43.00
30370	8/12	Dell Marketing L.P.	Lease contract	415.34	138.44
30371	8/12	Dispensing Technology	4 - epoxy guns & 20 cartridges for main repairs	324.83	
30372	8/12	Do-it Center	Misc hardware 07/2014	757.84	51.23
30373	8/12	Downey Brand Attorneys LLP	ULARA legal invoice	725.00	
30374	8/12	Eurofins Eaton Analytical Inc.	Water analysis	460.00	
30375	8/12	Eurofins Eaton Analytical Inc.	Water analysis	408.00	
30376	8/12	First Choice	Coffee service plant	70.84	70.83
30377	8/12	Foothill Car Wash, Lube & Oil	Oil change for Units #12, #6, #8, #14 & #33	119.43	140.50
30378	8/12	Bridgett Frommel	Refund Check	33.32	
30379	8/12	J.G. Tucker & Son, Inc.	Calibrate gas detector/Sewer Dept.		742.36
30380	8/12	Carolyn Klas	Turf rebate	4,900.00	
30381	8/12	Steven Kuhn	Refund Check	65.43	
30382	8/12	Ina Jung & Hoon Kwon	Refund Check	14.05	
30383	8/12	Hak Lee	Refund Check	85.98	
30384	8/12	Lock-Up Inc.	Maintenance of gates at Encinal, Mills Plant & Glenwood	487.50	162.50
30385	8/12	Logan Supply Co. Inc	24- wood broom handles	71.86	71.86
30386	8/12	Steven Mittelman	Turf rebate	3,600.00	
30387	8/12	Anabel Nuno	Refund Check	27.73	
30388	8/12	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Misc supplies 07/2014	52.41	
30389	8/12	Office Depot - Credit Plan	Misc supplies 07/2014	188.74	170.81
30390	8/12	Paper Cuts, Inc	Paper shredding	26.88	26.87
30391	8/12	Paveco Construction Inc	Various paving locations	533.75	
30392	8/12	Plumbers Depot Inc	Install 90 swivel on high pressure reel on Vactor truck		507.93
30393	8/12	PMC Engineering LLC	Submersible level transmitters for Well #6 & #8	3,050.65	
30394	8/12	Theresa Prator	Turf rebate	6,200.00	
30395	8/12	Ramco	Misc base	1,701.31	
30396	8/12	Alessandra Riancho	Refund Check	51.76	
30397	8/12	Sawyer Petroleum	414 gallons of red diesel fuel	1,147.70	382.57
30398	8/12	Still Mor Automotive Inc.	Unit #9-install new long block engine	6,323.77	2,107.92
30399	8/12	The Gas Company	Gas purchased Mills House	10.01	3.34
30400	8/12	Trench Shoring Company	Two 8 X 10 traffic plates	4,976.00	
30401	8/12	Trench Shoring Company	M-944 Main Break Montrose/Verdugo	845.00	
30402	8/12	United Traffic Service & Supply	M-943 arrowboard rental Ocean View/Foothill	397.85	
30403	8/12	Univar USA Inc	Five 55gallon buckets of 3" chlorine tab	754.08	
30404	8/12	Vortex Industries, INC.	Repairs to sliding fire door at Glenwood	177.00	59.00

Check#	Check Date	Payable To	Description	Water Amount	Wastewater Amount
30405	8/12	Waste Management - Sun Valley	Disposal service Glenwood	643.00	214.32
30406	8/12	Western Water Works	5- gate valves, flanges, wye lateral, couplings, weld reducers, elbows, tees, spools - Project E-733-CS	26,672.05	
30407	8/12	Teresa Williams	Turf rebate	5,630.00	
30408	8/12	Steve Willsey	Refund Check	48.50	
30409	8/12	CVHS Boys Basketball	1/2 page ad for water conservation	250.00	
30410	8/14	Armida N. Castro	Well lease site payment	75.00	
30411	8/14	Esther Coronado	Well lease site payment	75.00	
30412	8/14	Brianne Keith	Well lease site payment	75.00	
30413	8/14	Mrs. Jo Ann Smith	Well lease site payment	75.00	
30414	8/18	Ron Mitchell	Health Reimbursement	428.25	285.49
30415	8/19	Direct Connection	Postage for Pipeline August 2014	798.14	798.14
30416	8/21	Acme Wiping Materials	Misc supplies	127.20	127.20
30417	8/21	Adventist Health	Drug test and new employee physical - Smith	82.50	27.50
30418	8/21	Aflac	Employee paid insurance	1,363.73	
30419	8/21	Airgas USA, LLC	Monthly cylinder rental	178.73	178.72
30420	8/21	AT&T	Phone service 07/2014	2,140.47	735.38
30421	8/21	AT&T Mobility	Cell phone service 07/2014	1,608.72	536.22
30422	8/21	AW Direct, Inc	15 rain jackets for the service men	1,149.23	383.07
30423	8/21	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water analysis	730.50	
30424	8/21	Belzona California Inc.	Belzona/Black/Beige - immulsion for pipe welds	2,656.52	
30425	8/21	Cannon	E-931 Professional services 6/30/14 - Oak Creek MCC	4,148.75	
30426	8/21	CDW Government, Inc	Windows software	117.55	39.18
30427	8/21	Consolidated Elec. Distributor	Misc. tools	265.34	190.02
30428	8/21	Dennis A. Erdman	Reimbursement for Urban Water Mgmt Conference	56.76	18.92
30429	8/21	Eurofins Eaton Analytical Inc.	Water analysis	329.00	
30430	8/21	Industrial Metal Supply Co	80' of PVC schedule 40 & 2"galvanized caps	306.29	
30431	8/21	Stephen P. Korejwo	Reimbursement for purchase of computer hardware	364.49	121.49
30432	8/21	KR Nida Companies	Unit #6 Install power supply		342.55
30433	8/21	Marti Marshall	Refund Check	67.81	
30434	8/21	Ruth McNevin	Refund Check	63.57	
30435	8/21	Microflex Corporation	Misc supplies	150.00	531.26
30436	8/21	Mimecast North America, Inc.	E-mail security		50.00
30437	8/21	Napa Auto Parts	Mini bulbs	26.06	26.05
30438	8/21	New Image Landscape & Design	Landscape maintenance	1,002.50	177.50
30439	8/21	Rassac Air Systems	AC Maintenance Office	356.25	118.75
30440	8/21	Red Wing Shoe Store	Safety boots Alex Sandoval	132.62	44.20
30441	8/21	Shell	Gas purchased	2,008.43	669.48
30442	8/21	Star Ford	Repair tire unit #36	38.48	12.82

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30443	8/21	Stemar Equipment & Supply Co.	Rubber bucket for mixing concrete	278.15	210.64
30444	8/21	Steven Engineering Inc.	Exchanged spare radio for wireless network	1.33	
30445	8/21	Sully-Miller Contracting Co.	10.03 tons cold patch	996.09	
30446	8/21	Sun-Lite Demolition	Refund for flooding meter	946.23	
30447	8/21	Systemated Business Products	2,000 Laser Printer A/P Checks starting with number 30801	111.12	111.11
30448	8/21	Talley Corp.	Misc supplies	297.15	
30449	8/21	Toro's Lawnmower & Garden	Fuel Stabilizer	22.06	7.35
30450	8/21	Trench Shoring Company	Rental of 6- 8' x 20' steel plates & purchase of a swivel eye	1,171.03	133.52
30451	8/21	Underground Service Alert/SC	Underground notifications	124.88	41.62
30452	8/21	United Traffic Service & Supply	6 barricades and 12- 6-volt batteries	242.37	80.77
30453	8/21	Univar USA Inc	1344 gallons of sodium hypochlorite	2,300.50	
30454	8/21	Vulcan Materials Company	80 tons class"A" base	1,693.15	
30455	8/21	Water Wise Consulting, Inc	Water audits at 5 different locations	875.00	11.78
30456	8/21	Wells Fargo Card Services	Erdman: Infraguard symposium parking; water/meals for crews working on Verdugo/Honolulu water main break	137.77	
30457	8/21	Wells Fargo Card Services	Gould: AWWA Fall Conf registration; AWWA books & dvd; engineering dept lunch; Tri-State Seminar registration for 5 emp.	964.33	321.44
30458	8/21	Wells Fargo Card Services	Hass: Monthly recurring charges; Windows software; website maintenanc; licensing renewal	563.09	187.68
30459	8/21	Wells Fargo Card Services	Mitchell: OSHA Safety class lunch & refreshments; CUEMA Conf. hotel charge for 1st night	316.03	105.35
30460	8/21	Wells Fargo Card Services	Scott: National Night Out refreshments & raffle prize	663.47	
30461	8/21	West Coast Pipe	2-8" 10ga pipe in 20' lenghts for E-733-CS	904.70	
30462	8/21	Western Water Works	Adapters; gaskets; couplings	881.16	
30463	8/21	Mitzi Wison	Refund Check	7.53	
30464	8/25	AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.	M-903-A Professional services - stormwater study	58.91	
30465	8/25	Aqua - Metric Sales, Co.	100-iPerl 3/4"meters	14,028.30	
30466	8/25	Best Drilling & Pump, Inc.	E-934 Well rehabilitation progress payment #4	12,407.00	
30467	8/25	Brithinee Electric	Parts and labor for Encinal A motor rehabilitation - E-918	3,957.67	
30468	8/25	Cash-Petty Cash	Petty cash reimbursement	283.14	28.65
30469	8/25	Dataprose LLC	Postage and printing controls 1-4	1,552.02	1,552.01
30470	8/25	E.H. Wachs	C-946 - Valve operator for unit #24	21,985.32	
30471	8/25	Foothill Municipal Water	Water delivery 07/2014	284,415.73	
30472	8/25	Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	Pole mounting kit & parts for auto transfer switch for generator at Main Office	2,321.17	262.08
30473	8/25	Ironman, Inc	Tuneup Unit #31 regeneration unit		280.00
30474	8/25	KR Nida Companies	Replace fuse on power supply Main office auto transfer	774.87	258.28
30475	8/25	Lagerlof, Senecal, Gosney & Kr	Legal services 07/2014	4,745.00	1,250.00

Check#	Check Date	Payable To	Description	Water Amount	Wastewater Amount
30476	8/25	Lincoln Financial Group	Life and Dental Insurance	3,123.23	2,082.15
30477	8/25	Medora Corporation	Solar Bee electric mixer	6,591.90	
30478	8/25	Scotty's & Sons, Inc	Misc supplies	653.81	653.65
30479	8/25	Star Brite Bldg. Maintenance Inc	Janitorial service	618.75	206.25
30480	8/25	Talley Corp.	M-903A -Parts for installation of monitoring stations at CV Park	3,682.01	
30481	8/25	United Rentals	Rental of towable light tower	231.91	
30482	8/25	Western Water Works	Ball valves; adapters; bushings; nuts	10,440.02	
30483	8/25	Larry Byers	Health Reimbursement	171.83	114.55
30484	8/25	Mark Hass	Health Reimbursement	360.00	240.00
Subtotals				\$ 705,830.19	\$ 79,369.58
Total Disbursements for August 2014				\$	785,199.77

PAYROLL REPORT
August-14

Directors	\$	990
Office Regular Payroll	\$	124,528
Office OT	\$	923
Plant Regular Payroll	\$	102,199
Plant OT and Standby	\$	10,032
Employer Payroll Taxes	\$	17,087
Payroll Service Charges	\$	361
Total	\$	<u>256,121</u>

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Ron L. Mitchell – Secretary-Treasurer
Subject: Consent to Attend the ACWA Fall Conference

Consent Item No. 3
September 23, 2014

AGENDA ITEM

ACWA Fall Conference – Consideration to authorize attendance of up to two directors and one member of staff to attend the 2014 ACWA Fall Conference to be held December 3-5, 2014 in San Diego, CA.

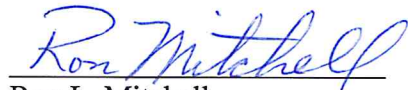
BACKGROUND:

ACWA will be holding their 2014 Fall Conference December 3-5, 2014 in San Diego, CA. As part of the Conference, ACWA/JPIA will hold their Board of Directors meeting on Monday, December 1st and other training programs on December 1st and 2nd.

The District has traditionally authorized attendance of up to two members of the Board and one member of staff to attend the JPIA programs and the ACWA Fall Conference.

Staff is asking for the Board's consideration regarding attendance at the Conference at this time so it allows for reservations to be made before the hotel room allotment is exhausted.

Prepared & submitted by:



Ron L. Mitchell
Secretary-Treasurer

ACWA 2014 Fall Conference & Exhibition

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego

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ACWA/JPIA - MONDAY, DEC. 1

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

- ACWA/JPIA Employee Benefits Program Committee

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

- ACWA/JPIA Executive Committee

1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

- ACWA/JPIA Board of Directors

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

- ACWA/JPIA Town Hall

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

- ACWA/JPIA Reception

TUESDAY, DEC. 2

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- Registration

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

- ACWA/JPIA: Seminar I

10:00 – 11:45 a.m.

- Scholarship Subcommittee
- Water Management Committee
- Water Quality Committee

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

- ACWA/JPIA: Seminar II

11:00 a.m. – Noon

- Outreach Task Force

Noon – 2:00 p.m.

- ACWA 101 & Luncheon
- Committee Lunch Break

1:00 – 2:15 p.m.

- ACWA/JPIA: Seminar III

1:00 – 2:45 p.m.

- Energy Committee
- Finance Committee
- Groundwater Committee
- Social Media & Website Workgroup

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

- SDLF Special District Administrator Certification Test

2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

- ACWA/JPIA: Sexual Harassment Prevention for Board Members & Managers (AB 1825)

3:00 – 4:45 p.m.

- Business Development Committee
- Communications Committee
- Federal Affairs Committee
- Local Government Committee
- Membership Committee

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

- Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3

7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

- Registration

8:00 – 9:45 a.m.

- Opening Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – Noon & 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.

- Exhibit Hall

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

- Attorneys Program
- Communications Committee Program
- Exhibitor Technical Presentations
- Finance Program
- Human Resources Program
- Region Issue Forum
- Statewide Issue Forum
- Water Industry Trends Program

11:30 – 11:45 a.m.

- Prize Drawing in Exhibit Hall

11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

- General Session & Luncheon

2:00 – 3:15 p.m.

- Attorneys Program
- Exhibitor Technical Presentation
- Finance Program
- Human Resources Program
- Region Program
- Town Hall
- Water Industry Trends Program

3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

- Cash Prize Drawing & Snack Break in Exhibit Hall

3:45 – 5:00 p.m.

- Energy Committee Program
- Exhibitor Technical Presentation
- Statewide Issue Forum
- Water Industry Trends Program

4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

- Legal Affairs Committee

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

- CH2MHILL Hosted Reception

THURSDAY, DEC. 4

7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

- Registration

8:00 a.m. – Noon

- Exhibit Hall

8:00 – 9:15 a.m.

- Networking Continental Breakfast

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

- Attorneys Program
- Exhibitor Technical Presentations
- Finance Program
- Human Resources Program
- Region Issue Forum
- Statewide Issue Forum
- Water Industry Trends Program

9:30 – 11:45 a.m.

- Ethics Training (AB 1234)

11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

- Prize Drawing in Exhibit Hall

11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

- General Session & Luncheon

2:00 – 3:15 p.m.

- Attorneys Program
- Exhibitor Technical Presentations
- Federal Issues Forum
- Statewide Issue Forum
- Water Industry Trends Program

3:30 – 5 p.m.

- Regions 1 –10
Membership Meetings

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

- New Water Professionals Reception

7:30 – 10:00 p.m.

- Dinner & Entertainment

FRIDAY, DEC. 5

8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

- Registration

8:30 – 10 a.m.

- ACWA's Hans Doe Past Presidents' Breakfast in Partnership with ACWA/JPIA

OTHER EVENTS

THURSDAY, DEC. 4

6:45 – 8:30 a.m.

- San Joaquin Valley Agricultural Water Committee

PRICING REFERENCE SHEET



ACWA 2014 Fall Conference & Exhibition REGISTRATION, MEALS & HOTEL PRICING Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego

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Register online @ acwa.com

Regular registration and cancellation deadline is November 7, 2014 • 4:30 p.m. (PST)

NEW!! CREATE YOUR ACWA PORTAL PROFILE

You must have an ACWA portal profile in order to register for ACWA events through the new ACWA Member Portal. **If you haven't already, please be sure to create your profile at <https://portal.acwa.com>**

REGISTRATION FEES & OPTIONS	REGULAR	ONSITE
Advantage (For ACWA public agency members, affiliates & associates ONLY) (ends 11/7/14)		
Full Conference Registration & Meals Package	\$695	Not Avail.
Full Conference Registration Only (meals sold separately)	\$510	\$540
One-Day Conference Registration (meals sold separately): Wednesday 12/3 -OR- Thursday 12/4	\$275	\$300
<i>Wednesday registration includes Welcome Reception on Tuesday evening.</i>		
<i>Thursday registration includes ability to purchase a ticket for Friday breakfast.</i>		
Standard (Applies to non-members of ACWA)		
Full Conference Registration Only (meals sold separately)	\$765	\$795
One-Day Conference Registration (meals sold separately): Wednesday 12/3 -OR- Thursday 12/4	\$395	\$450
<i>Wednesday registration includes Welcome Reception on Tuesday evening.</i>		
<i>Thursday registration includes ability to purchase a ticket for Friday breakfast.</i>		
Guest (Guest registration is not available to anyone with a professional reason to attend.)		
Guest Conference Registration (meals sold separately)	\$45	\$45
MEAL FUNCTIONS	REGULAR	ONSITE
Wednesday – December 3		
Opening Breakfast	\$45	\$50
Wednesday Luncheon	\$50	\$55
Thursday – December 4		
Networking Continental Breakfast	\$35	\$40
Thursday Luncheon	\$50	\$55
Thursday Dinner	\$65	\$70
Friday – December 5		
Friday Breakfast	\$45	\$50

HOTEL INFORMATION

Reservations will not be accepted until August 18

You must be registered for the ACWA conference in order to receive hotel reservation information and conference special room rate. Conference special rate is available August 18 – November 14, based on availability.

Special Hotel Rates

Manchester Grand Hyatt Single/Double \$189
Subject to 10.5% state and local taxes per room per night plus 2% TMD San Diego county fee, and \$0.21 CA State assessment fee.

Important Dates:

For those **registering for conference prior to August 18**, hotel information will be provided via e-mail on August 18.

For those **registering for conference from August 18 to November 14**, your confirmation e-mail will include hotel reservation information and an opportunity to receive a conference special hotel rate.

Hotel Reservation Questions?

Email Kiyomi Smiley at kiyomi.smiley@hyatt.com

Questions? Contact us at 916.441.4545, toll free 888.666.2292.
Conference terms and conditions available at acwa.com in the event section.

REGISTRATION TERMS & CONDITIONS

ACWA 2014 Fall Conference & Exhibition Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego

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Register online @ acwa.com

Regular registration and cancellation deadline is November 7, 2014 • 4:30 p.m. (PST)

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR "ACWA ADVANTAGE" PRICING?

ACWA Advantage pricing is available to the following registrants:

- An officer or director of an ACWA member agency.
- A person directly employed by an ACWA public agency member, affiliate or associate organization. This does not include independent contractors, service providers, or third-party vendors.
- Any ACWA board member whose fee is paid for by member agency.
- Any state or federal administrative or legislative personnel in elected, appointed or staff positions.
- Staff of ACWA/JPIA and Water Education Foundation.
- Any individual or honorary life member of ACWA.

ONE-DAY REGISTRATION

By choosing a Wednesday registration, you are entitled to attend the Welcome Reception on Tuesday evening and all programs on Wednesday. By choosing a Thursday registration, you are entitled to purchase a ticket for the Friday Breakfast.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION – *Become a Member & Save on ACWA Events*

If you are interested in learning more about becoming an Associate Friend of ACWA, contact Melanie Medina at melaniem@acwa.com or Paula Currie at paulac@acwa.com. For public agency membership, please contact Tiffany Giammona at tiffanyg@acwa.com.

CANCELLATIONS & CHANGES

All registration changes and cancellations must be made in writing by the event registration deadline. Valid cancellation requests will receive a refund of any registration fees paid minus a \$75 processing charge. For payments originally made by credit card, refunds can be issued back onto the credit card within 60 days. Otherwise, a refund will be issued by check. No refunds or registration changes will be granted after the registration deadline. Submit request in writing to Margie Knight at margiek@acwa.com.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Event registrations are transferable from one participant to another within the same organization. Please submit your request in writing before the event registration deadline to Margie Knight at margiek@acwa.com. Include the original registrant's name, the new person's name, title and email address with your request. After the registration deadline, substitutions will be handled on-site. Only one substitution is permitted per original registrant. The individual submitting the substitution request is responsible for all financial obligations (including any balance due) associated with the original registration. There is no fee to transfer an eligible registration.

SPECIAL REQUESTS & ACCOMMODATIONS

Special requests must be submitted in writing to Margie Knight at margiek@acwa.com. Participants are encouraged to submit special requests as soon as possible.

If you have a disability that requires an accommodation, please contact Margie Knight at margiek@acwa.com or call toll free at (888) 666-2292 to discuss your needs.

REFUNDS

Except as otherwise provided in this document, all payments and fees are nonrefundable after the registration deadline.

MEAL TICKETS

After registration deadline, meal tickets are not eligible for exchange, refund or credit.

NONATTENDANCE

Registrants who fail to attend the event, in part or in whole, are not eligible for a refund or credit and will be billed for any balance due.

GUEST REGISTRATION

Guest registration is available to a spouse, companion or guest of an ACWA event registrant. Guest registration is not available to any employees of a public agency, associate or affiliate/mutual water company. Guest registration is also not available to anyone with a professional reason to attend for purposes of learning or business. The guest registration includes admission to the Exhibit Hall, the opening reception and the ability to purchase meal tickets and attend meal functions. **Guest registrants are not eligible for cash or prize drawings.**

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: David S. Gould, P.E. – District Engineer
Subject: Replacement of Small Dump Truck, Project C-948

Action Item No. 1
September 23, 2014

ACTION ITEM:

1. **Purchase of a Replacement Small Dump Truck, Project C-948** - Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to purchase a replacement vehicle for the small dump truck (Unit 13) from Galpin Ford, and truck body modifications from California Truck Equipment Company at a total cost of \$51,653.

BACKGROUND:

CVWD's small dump truck (Unit 13) was involved in an accident on June 26, 2014. The truck chassis was severely damaged and the drive shaft was broken. Unit 13 was declared a total loss by ACWA/JPIA. Since that time, Unit 13 has been out of service and the crews have been using available trucks to haul equipment and materials. Staff looked into renting a similar vehicle, but there was not any available in this size or at a reasonable rate.

Unit 13 is a Ford F-550 truck with a 3 cubic yard (CY) dump bed is used for hauling equipment for installation of water services, transporting traffic control, and shoring and hauling base material to the job site. The truck was purchased in 2010 with a modified dump bed as shown.



DISCUSSION:

Purchase of a Replacement Truck:

Staff prepared a request for quote (RFQ) for the purchase of a replacement vehicle for the F-550 utility truck and sent the RFQs to three (3) Ford dealerships within the Southern California area.

The District received the following bids for the purchase of a replacement vehicle:

Unit 13 - Vehicle Replacement							
Bid Summary							
Unit	Make	Model	Bid Item	Budget	Galpin Ford	Wondries Fleet Group	Carmentia Truck Center
13	Ford	F-550	Base Price	\$40,000	\$39,050	\$40,446	\$44,267
			Tax (9%)	\$3,600	\$3,515	\$3,640	\$3,984
			Misc. Costs	\$50	\$38	\$11	\$38
			Total	\$43,650	\$42,603	\$44,097	\$48,289

Galpin Ford of North Hills provided the lowest quote for Unit 13. Staff contacted these dealerships to get the approximate costs for taxes or any applicable fees for these vehicles and those are included in the bid summary.

Truck Body Modifications:

The existing Unit 13 had a 3.0 CY dump bed which is still in working condition. Staff's plan is to purchase a replacement truck chassis and re-install the dump bed. Staff requested a quote from California Truck Equipment Company (CTEC) to remove and re-install the dump bed on to the replacement truck for \$9,050. CVWD has worked in the past with CTEC and they have provided excellent service.

Salvage Value/Insurance Claim:

Staff worked with ACWA/JPIA, which declared Unit 13 a total loss and issued a check for \$22,787 for replacement of the vehicle.

Summary:

The total cost for the replacement vehicle and equipment to the District is shown below:

Total Cost for New Unit 13 Bid Summary	
Unit 13	Budget
Truck – New F-550	\$42,603
Truck Body Modifications	\$9,050
Payment for Total Loss from ACWA/JPIA	<\$22,787>
Total Cost	\$28,866

RECOMMENDATION:

It is staff's recommendation to authorize the General Manager to purchase the replacement truck, and the truck body modifications for a cost of \$51,653.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

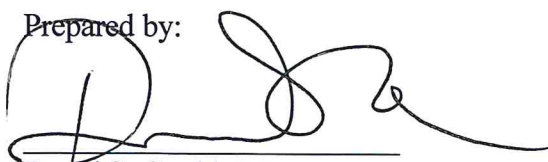
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FUNDING AVAILABILITY:

There are sufficient funds available in the following account for purchase of the replacement truck:

Account Description	Amount
FY 14/15 Water – Capital Outlay - Equipment	\$90,500
Amount Previously Used for Purchase of F-350 Service Truck, Valve Operating Equipment & Truck Body Modifications	<\$86,093>
FY 14/15 Water – Capital Outlay – Equipment Account to date	\$4,407
Total District Cost for Unit 13	<\$28,866>
Transfer – Capital Outlay - Main Office Roof Replacement to Capital Outlay - Equipment for Unit 13	\$30,000
Amount Remaining in FY 14/15 Water – Capital Outlay - Equipment	\$5,541

Prepared by:


David S. Gould, P.E.
District Engineer

Submitted by:


Dennis Erdman
General Manager

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 2
September 23, 2014

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors

From: David S. Gould, P.E. – District Engineer

Subject: **8-Inch Water Main Replacement on the 2900 Blocks of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta Ave and the 4900 Block of Glenwood Ave.
Advertise for Bids, Project E-947**

ACTION ITEM:

1. **8-Inch Water Main Replacement on the 2900 Blocks of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta St. - Project E-947** Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for the construction of 2,215 lineal feet of pipeline replacement on the 2900 blocks of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta St. and the 4900 block of Glenwood Ave. with an engineer's estimate for construction of \$435,000 and to find said project exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

CVWD is proceeding with its water main pipeline replacement program for FY 14/15 with the replacement of old pipelines on the 2900 block of Paraiso Way, between Ramsdell Ave and Glenwood Ave, the 2900 block of Santa Carlotta St, between Ramsdell Ave and Glenwood Ave, and the 4900 block of Glenwood Avenue between Santa Carlotta St and Orange Ave. The pipelines are all located within the public right-of-way. (See attached project location map).

This project is the final portion of an overall 3-year water main replacement project within this area which includes the 2900, 3000, & 3100 blocks of Paraiso Way, the 2900, 3000, & 3100 blocks of Santa Carlotta St, the 4900 block of Cloud Ave, the 4900 block of Ramsdell Ave, and the 4900 block of Glenwood Ave. These pipelines are 4-inch and 8-inch diameter water mains which were installed between 1947 & 1960. The pipeline on the 2900 block of Paraiso Way has had 11 leaks since 2000 and the pipeline on the 2900 block of Santa Carlotta St has had 10 leaks since 1997. The hydraulic study performed by Civiltec showed that these pipes are undersized in this area and are restricting flow between Markridge Reservoir and Eagle Canyon Reservoir.

DISCUSSION:

The design is completed for the pipeline project and is ready for advertising for bids. The anticipated project schedule is to award a contract at the Board meeting on October 21, 2014 and construction to begin in early January 2015. The local residents have requested that the project start after the Christmas holiday season. Ms. Christina Olmedo will be the project manager and Mr. Cory Whitman will provide field inspection.

There are currently no fire hydrants on the 2900 blocks of Paraiso Way and Santa Carlotta St. due to the undersized pipeline. Staff has been working with the residents to place new fire hydrants at locations which will have the least impact on the street. However, the project must meet the fire hydrant spacing as required by the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

Glenwood Ave. is a narrow street (22 feet wide), which will require a contractor to pay special attention to traffic control, street parking, and coordination of equipment. This additional effort could have an effect on the contractor's costs, which may be higher than past projects. Staff has taken this into account during the design of the project.

Staff is also working on a public outreach program for the project. This will include sending letters within the next two weeks to the residents in the area notifying them of the upcoming project, holding a public meeting on the street to explain the project, and sending a second letter two weeks before construction begins. Progress reports on the project will be posted on CVWD's website for residents to check status and staff will send a press release to the local newspapers about the upcoming construction project.

The construction cost estimate for the project is \$435,000 and the entire project costs including materials, soils engineer, staff engineering and inspection, and contingencies are estimated at \$598,500.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is staff's recommendation to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for the project. Staff will advertise the project in the McGraw-Hill Dodge Construction News and will send out plans to selected contractors.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. This exemption covers the repair of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.

FUNDING AVAILABILITY:

There are sufficient funds available in the following accounts for the project:

Account Description	Amount
FY 14/15 Water CIP– Water Distribution	\$750,000
Engineer's Cost Estimate for Contractor	<\$435,000>
Additional costs such as material purchase by CVWD, soils engineer, engineering & inspection labor costs & contingency	<\$163,500>
Total Engineer's Cost Estimate	\$598,500
Amount Remaining in Water CIP – Distribution System	\$151,500

Prepared by:



Christina Olmedo
Assistant Engineer

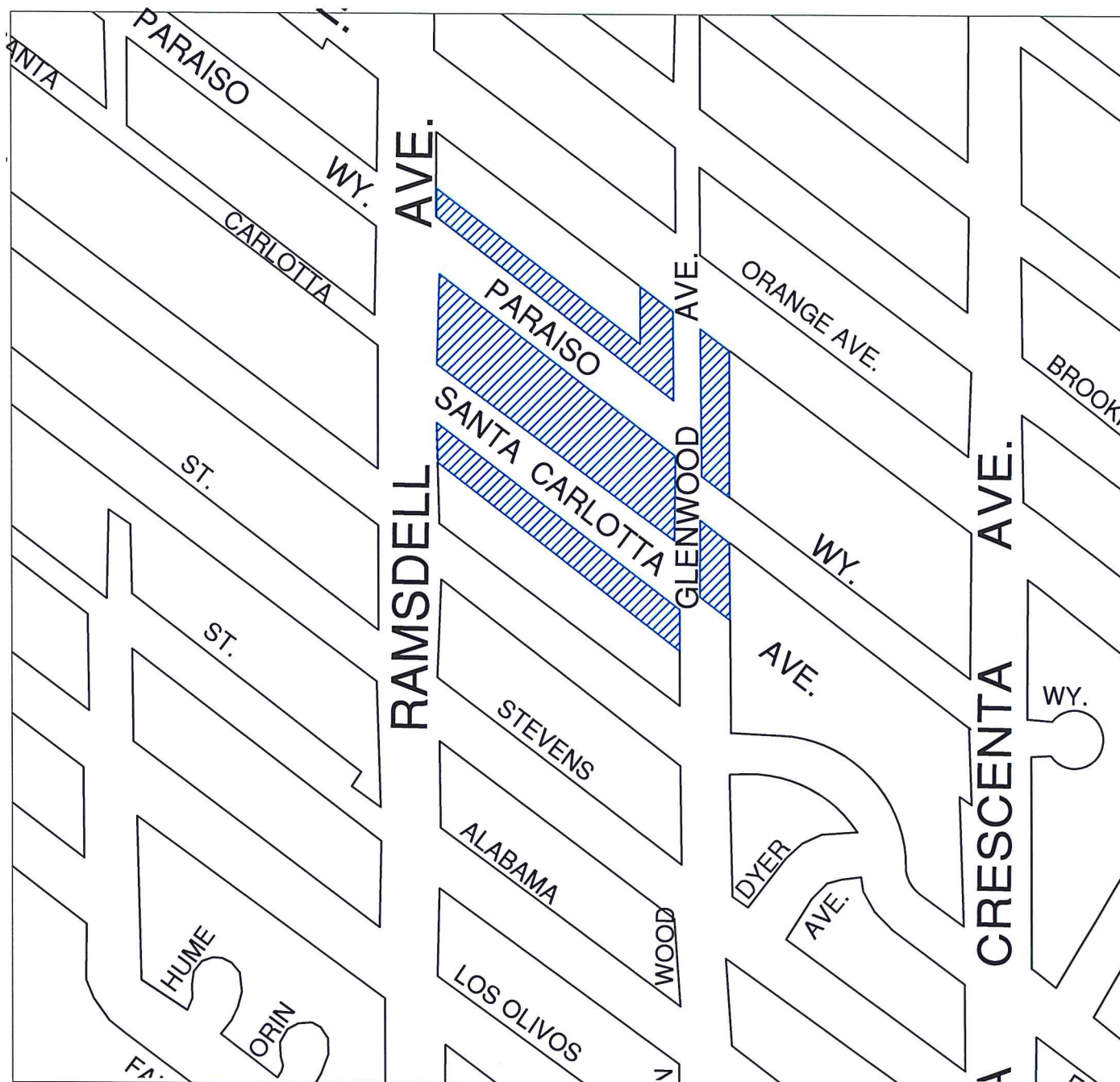
Submitted by:



David S. Gould, P.E.
District Engineer

Attachments:

1. 2900 Blocks of Paraiso Way & Santa Carlotta St. Location Map
2. 3-year 8-inch Water main Replacement Project



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PROJECT LOCATION



CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PROJECT LOCATION MAP

8-INCH WATER MAIN INSTALLATION ON THE 2900 BLOCKS OF PARAISO WAY
AND SANTA CARLOTTA AVENUE, AND 4900 BLOCK OF GLENWOOD AVENUE, PROJECT E-947

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 3
September 23, 2014

To: Board of Directors
From: David S. Gould, P.E. – District Engineer
Subject: Request to advertise for bids for the Sewer Main Re-lining – FY 14/15, Project S-942

AGENDA ITEM

1. **FY 14/15 Sewer Main Re-Lining Project, Project S-942** - Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for the re-lining of 2,330 feet of sewer main with an engineer's estimate for construction of \$87,800 and to find said project exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

BACKGROUND:

CVWD's Wastewater Division has been employing a Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) system to inspect sewer lines throughout the collection system, as part of the District's Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP). Over the course of the last several years, multiple segments of sewer main have been observed to be in need of repair. Approximately 1,450 linear feet of the sewer main being rehabilitated was originally constructed in 1969 and exist on a tree lined street where the roots from these trees have intruded through the pipe joints. The remaining 880 feet of the pipes to be lined were constructed in the early 1980s and have shown to have similar root intrusion issues. If this goes on unchecked the root intrusion could cause severe damage to the collection system and possibly create an overflow.

DISCUSSION:

Sewer main re-lining is a very low cost way to rehabilitate aging or ailing portions of collection systems as well as reduce inflow and infiltration. More importantly, main lining avoids costly excavation and proves to be less of a disturbance to the public.

The project will include cleaning and inspection of each segment prior to the liner installation and a post installation inspection to verify the quality of workmanship and adhesion of the lining to the sewer pipe wall.

The project is scheduled to start in November 2014 and be completed in December 2014. Brook Yared will be the Project Manager and Dennis Maxwell will provide field inspection.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for this project with an Engineer's Estimate of \$87,800 for the completion of Project S-942. Staff will send bid documents to contractors specializing in sewer re-lining.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

Request that the Board find the subject project to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. This exemption covers the repair of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.

FUNDING AVAILABILITY:

As of September 2014 there was \$125,000 remaining in FY 14/15 Sewer CIP – Collection System budget and this project is well within the budgeted amount.

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Sewer CIP – Collection System		\$125,000
Project S-942 – Contract Amount	180-01	<\$87,800>
Contingency	180-01	<\$8,800>
Amount Remaining in Budget after Project S-888		\$28,400

Attachments: Project Location Map

Prepared by:

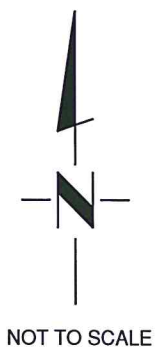
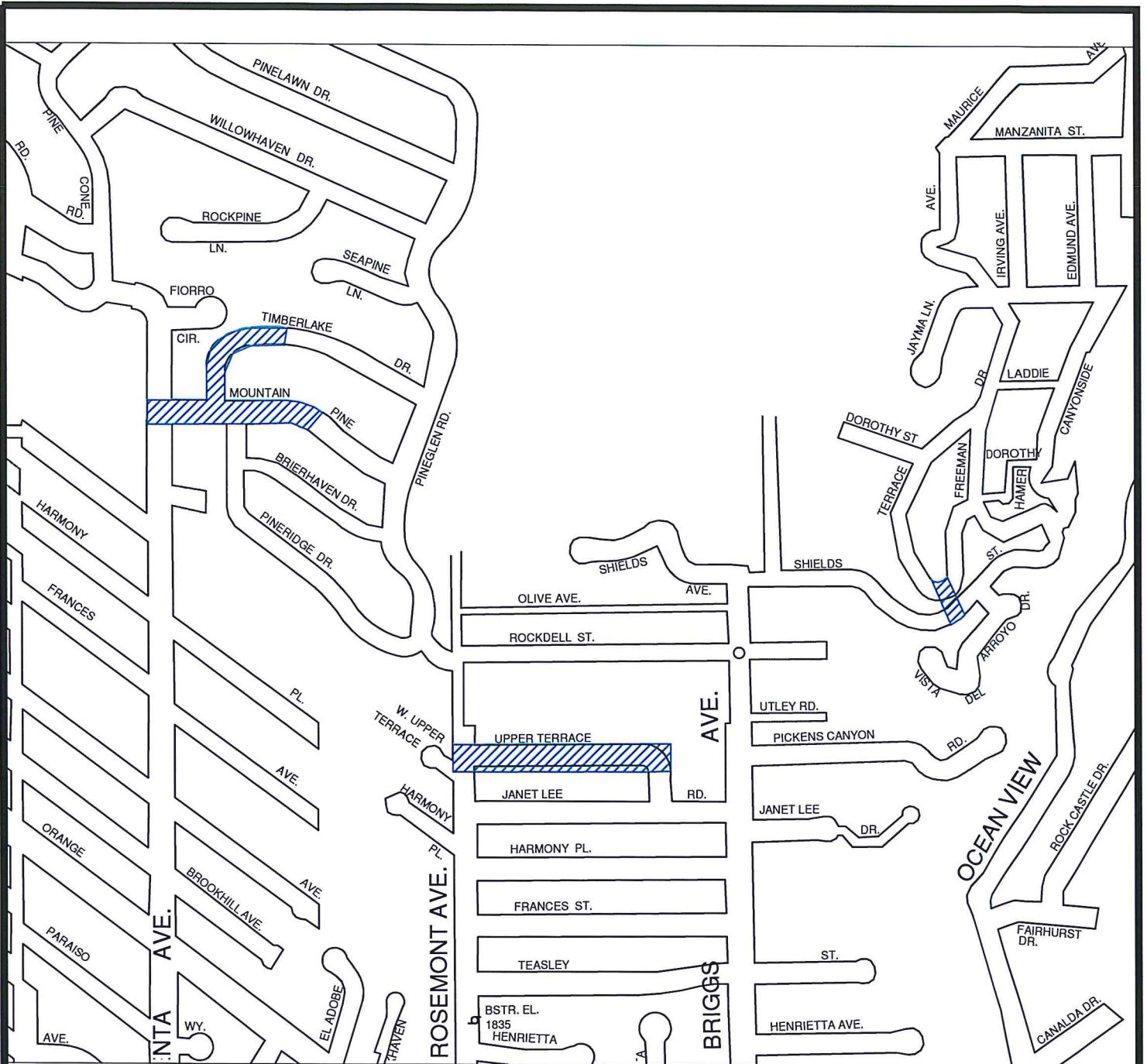


Brook Yared, P.E.
Associate Engineer

Submitted by:



David S. Gould, P.E.
District Engineer



PROJECT LOCATION



CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PROJECT LOCATION MAP

SEWER MAIN RELINING - FY 14/15, PROJECT S-942

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MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Directors, Crescenta Valley Water District
From: Thomas S. Bunn III
Date: September 18, 2014
Subject: Vacancy on the Board of Directors

We have been informed that Director Kathleen Ross is running unopposed for a seat on the Foothill Municipal Water District's Board of Directors ("FMWD's Board"). It is our understanding that Director Ross intends to submit a written resignation to the Crescenta Valley Water District's Board of Directors ("the Board") with a deferred effective date of December 5, 2014, which is the date she will take office on FMWD's Board. This memorandum addresses the question of whether the Board can appoint a new member to take over Director Ross' office prior to her effective resignation date of December 5, 2014. In addition, this memorandum also provides an outline of the procedure that must be followed in appointing a new member to the Board.

Government Code Section 1780 details the procedure the District must follow in filling a vacancy on the Board. Subdivision (b) of Section 1780 requires the District to notify the Los Angeles County Clerk of the vacancy *no later* than 15 days after either the date on which the District is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later. Government Code Section 1770 subdivision (c) provides that a vacancy occurs upon a director's resignation from his or her office. Section 1780 does not specify whether the notice should be sent after the vacancy occurs or after the date of the effective vacancy date, it merely provides a deadline for submitting the notice. Moreover, Section 1770 (c) does not address the issue of a deferred effective date. However, one California Appellate case has held that a resignation takes effect on the date mentioned in the written resignation, filed as provided by law by the officer tendering his or her resignation.¹ Thus, a vacancy on the Board will occur on Director Ross' effective resignation date, which is December 5, 2014. In the interim, we believe there is no reason to delay the process in appointing a successor to fill the balance of Director Ross' term. However, the District should not take any formal action until Director Ross submits her formal resignation.

Once a formal resignation has been submitted, the District may begin the process of appointing a new member pursuant to Section 1780. As mentioned above, the District must first notify the Los Angeles County Clerk of the vacancy no later than 15 days after either the date on which the District is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is

¹ *Meeker v. Reed*, 70 Cal. App. 119

later. The remaining board members then have 60 days after either the date on which the District is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later, to either fill the vacancy by appointing a new member or by calling a special election. Below is an outline of the required procedures under Section 1780 that must be followed depending on the Board's chosen method (appointment or election):

To Fill A Vacancy By Appointment, The Board Must:

1. Post a notice of the vacancy in 3 or more conspicuous places in the District at least 15 days before the appointment is made.
2. Name its appointee within 60 days after the vacancy occurs.
3. Notify the Los Angeles County Clerk of the appointment no later than 15 days after the appointment is made.
4. Because Director Ross' term expires on December 4, 2015, the vacancy will occur in the second half of her term. Thus, under Government Code Section 1780 (d)(3), the newly appointed member shall fill the balance of her unexpired term of office.

To Fill A Vacancy By Election, The Board Must:

1. Schedule an election within 60 days of the date the Board is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later.
2. Hold the election on the next established election date, as provided by Election Code Section 1000, that is 130 or more days after the date the District calls the election.² In this case, the election date would be March 3, 2015.
3. The person elected shall hold office for the remainder of Director Ross' unexpired term pursuant to Government Code Section 1780 (d)(2).

If the vacancy is not filled by either appointment or election within the 60 day period, then the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County may appoint a person to fill the vacancy within 90 days after the date the District is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later, or the Board of Supervisors may order the District to call an election to fill the vacancy.

Please let us know if you have any questions about this process.

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² Election Code Section 1000 provides that the established election dates in each year are as follows: (1) the second Tuesday of April in each even-numbered year, (2) the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March of each odd-numbered year, (3) the first Tuesday after the first Monday in June in each year, and (4) the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each year.

Water district considers potential chromium-6 strategies

Ian James, The Desert Sun 10:12 p.m. PDT September 12, 2014

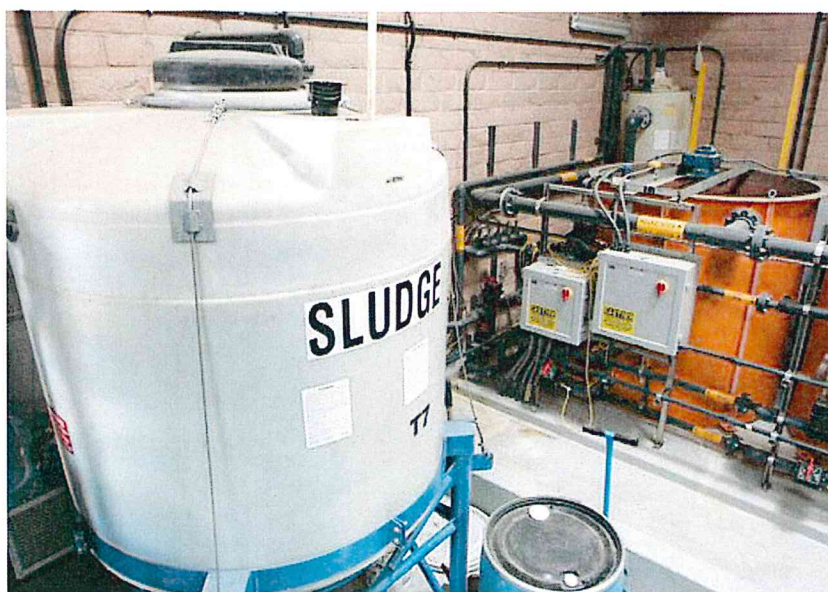


(Photo: Jay Calderon/The Desert Sun)

In a portion of the aquifer beneath the Coachella Valley, the drinking water has levels of the heavy metal hexavalent chromium that exceed a safe limit recently adopted by the state. In order to meet the new drinking water standard, the Coachella Valley Water District is starting to consider its options, and the project is likely to be the costliest and most complex in the agency's history.

The CVWD board on Friday heard a preliminary report on a list of potential strategies that are being studied. They include: building a treatment plant at every affected well; building treatment plants to treat clusters of wells; installing small reverse-osmosis filters in homes; using imported water from the Colorado River to recharge the aquifer in affected areas; or building treatment plants for well water together with new facilities to treat water from the Colorado River.

The initial cost estimates for the various options, prepared by consultants, ranged between \$74 million and \$429 million, depending on the approach and the scenario. That is less than the water district's rough initial cost estimate of up to \$500 million, which it prepared while urging the state to set a higher limit.



A tank holds sludge containing arsenic and chromium that has been removed from the water at a CVWD treatment plant in Mecca. CVWD already uses ion exchange treatment to reduce levels of arsenic in water in the areas of Mecca and Oasis, and the treatment also removes chromium. Jay Calderon, The Desert Sun (Photo: Jay Calderon/The Desert Sun)

The state's effort to set a drinking water standard for the carcinogen hexavalent chromium — also known as chromium-6 — generated debate between environmental groups that argued for a strict limit, and water agencies that warned of high costs and questioned the science behind the proposal. Chromium-6 became widely known through the film "Erin Brockovich."

In many areas of the country, chromium-6 has been released into the environment as a pollutant from sources such as chemical plants, leather tanneries and cooling towers. In the Coachella Valley, though, water agencies say that chromium-6 occurs naturally, dissolving from serpentine rock into the groundwater.

The new drinking water limit of 10 parts per billion was set by the California Department of Public Health and took effect in July. The Coachella Valley Water District, the largest of five public water agencies in the valley, has determined that of its 96 active wells, 36 wells pump water with levels of chromium-6 higher than the limit. An additional 19 wells have chromium-6 levels close to the limit, between 8 parts per billion and 10 parts per billion.

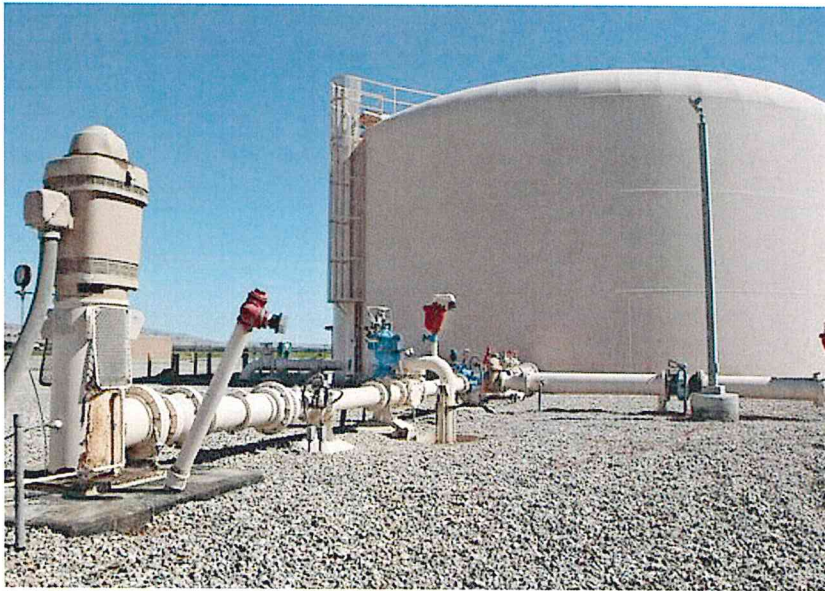
MAP: [Coachella Valley groundwater chromium-6 occurrence \(http://www.cvwd.org/about/docs/chromium_6_levels_map.pdf\)](http://www.cvwd.org/about/docs/chromium_6_levels_map.pdf)

"That is a smaller number than what we had previously considered based on data that we had from 13 years ago," said Steve Bigley, the water district's director of environmental services. He showed a map of the valley with yellow and brown areas indicating higher levels of chromium-6 near Desert Hot Springs and in Thousand Palms, Indio, Coachella and Thermal.

"The yellow and brown areas are over the 10 part-per-billion range, so it does take up a lot of the area from Thousand Palms to Thermal," Bigley said. The state has required water districts to do initial water sampling by Jan. 1.

"If we continue to use those wells, we could be out of compliance in July," Bigley said. "We're trying to get legislation or regulatory fixes so that we can be given the time to install our facilities without being out of compliance."

The water district has said that building the facilities necessary would likely take several years. Mark Johnson, the district's director of engineering, said studies should be completed by early next year for the CVWD board to decide on a strategy.



The well and reservoir at Coachella Valley Water District's ion exchange water treatment plant near Mecca. CVWD already uses ion exchange treatment to reduce levels of arsenic in water in the areas of Mecca and Oasis, and the treatment also removes chromium. Jay Calderon/The Desert Sun (Photo: Jay Calderon/The Desert Sun)

"This is probably the most complex and costly issue that CVWD has faced in its 96-year history," Johnson said at the meeting in Coachella, where consultants presented a detailed study of the options.

The water district's eventual decision has the potential to significantly change how water is managed in the Coachella Valley. Until now, imported Colorado River water has been used for farms, golf courses and to replenish the aquifer, sinking down through the sandy soil to reach the water table. That process of sinking into the ground naturally removes organic contaminants, making the imported water suitable to drink.

If the water district instead decides to build one or more plants to treat Colorado River water to use it as drinking water, that would be a first for the Coachella Valley.

The option of installing small reverse-osmosis filters in homes was discussed, but the consultants said that approach would face significant hurdles, including the need for 100-percent participation, the need to maintain all of the devices, and the fact that existing state law would only allow the small filters to be used as an emergency on a temporary basis.

"Of all of the alternatives, the individual well treatment is the lowest cost in terms of capital because you don't have all the pipeline costs," said Lynn Grijalva, vice president of Hazen and Sawyer Environmental Engineers & Scientists, which produced the study for the water district. Building treatment plants for individual wells was estimated to cost between \$74 million and \$210 million.

The consultants said that approach, however, wouldn't diversify water supplies in the way that a combined strategy involving the use of Colorado River water would.

John Powell, president of the CVWD board, said that cost will be important as the board studies the options, and that it will also be crucial to consider whether each approach would help the water district in its efforts to prevent groundwater levels from declining further.



Water Control Operator Steve Hernandez works at a Coachella Valley Water District plant that pulls arsenic and chromium from water. (Photo: jay calderon/the desert sun)

"We're not only evaluating options to meet this new regulation for chromium-6, but also to accomplish other objectives, such as a diversified supply," Powell said. "We'll be able to accomplish other things at the same time. That's what I'm hoping for, and it seems like that's the direction that we're going."

He said reducing demands on the aquifer will be a key objective, particularly in the middle of the valley in areas such as Palm Desert and Rancho Mirage, which have seen the largest declines in groundwater levels in the past few decades.

"We've seen improvements over by Whitewater. We've seen improvements on the East Valley. So really the mid-valley is where we need to focus," Powell said.

The water district has been bringing Colorado River water through its Mid-Valley Pipeline and blending it with treated sewage for use on golf courses, an approach the agency is seeking to expand on. However, as some in the meeting explained, the new chromium-6 rule could now make that imported water useful as a source of drinking water in some areas in the middle of the valley.

Powell said that doesn't necessarily mean the imported water would end up being used more for drinking than for golf courses. "Another option would be that we could bring more water in with another pipe to do both," he said.

Wells operated by the cities of Indio and Coachella also have levels of chromium-6 exceeding the limit. In Desert Hot Springs, Mission Springs Water District has said that three of its 14 wells have levels over the limit.

The Desert Water Agency is the only public water agency in the area that is unlikely to be affected by the new limit. Levels of chromium-6 in its wells remain significantly below the standard.

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Mr. Dennis Erdman
Crescenta Valley Water District

CRESCENTA VALLEY
WATER DISTRICT

Re: Letter of sincere appreciation

Dear Mr. Erdman,

We turned to your office for support and information when we learned one week into our new home ownership that we had massive plumbing issues under our driveway. Everyone at CVWD was incredibly accommodating and empathetic to our situation. Everyone put in extra effort to gather various documents and information for us. One employee in particular, however, went out of his way to assist us. Dennis Maxwell came to the house the very same day everything was uncovered to assist us in gathering more information about the situation. More importantly, he made us feel empowered and gave us invaluable advice on our next steps in solving the matter. He remained in contact with us and even returned to help us fill in the missing pieces while companies were performing their investigations. His constant message was that CVWD cares for the residents of La Crescenta, and that meant so much to us. We will be paying a large sum in repairs, but it could have been much worse. We're counting our blessings.

Thanks to everyone at CVWD for their help, and we look forward to many more years as your most grateful customers.

Sincerely,



Amy and TJ Slavin

P.S. Over the course of their investigation, multiple plumbers used what must amount to thousands of gallons of water to diagnose our problem. We were hoping that you might consider offering us some leniency on our bill covering July 28-September 9.

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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LA CRESCENTA, CALIFORNIA

Minutes for the
Meeting of the Policy Committee
of the Crescenta Valley Water District
held on Tuesday, September 16th 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Action Calendar

1. **Consideration of change to rate structure for large lots** – As requested by the Board, the Policy Committee is meeting to examine the possibility of a change to the rate structure for large lots.

BACKGROUND:

Staff previously met with the Policy Committee to discuss an alternate tier structure for customers with large lots. The options originally presented by staff were discussed and staff was to provide further analysis on a modified version of the selected method.

DISCUSSION:

Staff and the Policy Committee discussed the modified option which would allow for alternate tiers for qualifying large lot owners during the billing periods that include July, August, September and October. Applicants would be required to meet strict criteria and Best Management Practices in order to be eligible. This approach would establish a water budget for large lots using EPA's Water Sense Water budget. In addition, discussion was given to applying the water budget to the entire year. Also discussed was billing water entirely at tier two and the possibility of using the irrigation rate structure.

Additional consideration was given to the size of a large lot and it was agreed to do additional fiscal analysis on the above methodologies using a lot size of ½ acre and above.

Public Comments

Public comments were heard from Mr. Solymar and Mrs. Chonos regarding the need for large lots to be allowed extra water at the lower tiered rate.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:40

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

2700 FOOTHILL BOULEVARD
LA CRESCENTA, CALIFORNIA

Minutes for the
Meeting of the Community Relations and Water Conservation Committee
of the Crescenta Valley Water District
held on Tuesday, September 16th at 11:00 a.m.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Background:

District Website

The District's website is currently hosted by a third party contractor. Most structural changes and major content or design updates are also performed by a contractor. Other items such as pdfs of agendas, minutes, and press releases are able to be added by the IT Department.

The last major overhaul of the website was approximately 6 years ago. While it was in the budget last fiscal year to redesign the website, it was not completed. The funds were not carried over in the 2014/2015 fiscal budget.

DISCUSSION:

The committee and staff discussed what changes need to be made to the website. Staff asked to proceed with gathering cost information to restructure the District's website with a more dynamic, user friendly style that would allow staff to update content quickly and easily. After discussion, the Committee came up with a list of items to be completed on an immediate basis and directed staff to obtain pricing information from various vendors to update the entire website. This information will go back to committee and be presented to the Board at a later date.

Committee Member's Request for Future Agenda Items

The Meeting adjourned at 12:00