



SCV WATER AGENCY REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**Tuesday, January 17, 2023
Meeting Begins at 6:00 PM**

Members of the public may attend by the following options:

In Person

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant
Boardroom
27234 Bouquet Canyon Road
Santa Clarita, CA 91350

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**SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**RIO VISTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT
BOARDROOM
27234 BOUQUET CANYON ROAD
SANTA CLARITA, CA 91350**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023, AT 6:00 PM

IMPORTANT NOTICES

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Members of the public may comment as to items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency that are not on the Agenda at this time. Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in this Agenda may do so at the time each item is considered. (Comments may, at the discretion of the Board's presiding officer, be limited to three minutes for each speaker.) Members of the public wishing to comment on items covered in Closed Session before they are considered by the Board must request to make comment at the commencement of the meeting at 6:00 PM.

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8. BRIEFING ON AB 2449 REMOTE ATTENDANCE – GENERAL COUNSEL TOM BUNN AND JOE BYRNE – PRESENTATION 10 MINUTES

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13. CLOSED SESSION

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14. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. DIRECTOR REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

16. ADJOURNMENT

- * Indicates Attachment
- ◆ Indicates Handout

Note: The Board reserves the right to discuss or take action or both on all of the above Agenda items.

NOTICES

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Posted on January 11, 2023.

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RESOLUTION NO. ____

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
HONORING AND COMMENDING R. J. KELLY
FOR HIS SERVICE AND DEDICATION**

WHEREAS, R. J. Kelly was appointed to the Castaic Lake Water Agency Board of Directors in April 2003 and was then elected to the position in November 2006 where he served through December 2017; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly served as Board Vice President for the Castaic Lake Water Agency from January 2005 to December of 2008 and Board President from January 2009 to December 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly received the 2010 CSDA President of the Year for the Castaic Lake Water Agency at the September 2010 CSDA Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly served on the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) Board of Directors from January 2018 through December 2022, serving as Board Vice President from January 2018 to February 2019; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly voted and was active in his support of the vision to combine Castaic Lake Water Agency and Newhall County Water District to form the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly served on several Agency Committees over his 19 years of service as a Director, most recently as Chair of the Agency's Finance and Administration Committee and as a member of the Public Outreach and Legislation Committee, as well as serving on the Agencies Financing Corporation, Upper Santa Clara Valley Joint Powers Authority and currently serves as a Director on the Devil's Den Water District and as an alternate on the SCV-GSA Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly supported the Agency's mission statement of providing responsible water stewardship to ensure the Santa Clarita Valley has reliable supplies of high quality water at a reasonable cost; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors deem it most fitting that Mr. Kelly's outstanding service to the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and the customers it serves be appropriately recognized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors appreciates and recognizes R. J. Kelly for his over 19 years of service to the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency and the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and thanks him for his support of the Board, employees and customers of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency through his many significant contributions and leadership during his time as a Board member.

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
HONORING AND COMMENDING E. G. "JERRY" GLADBACH
FOR HIS SERVICE AND DEDICATION**

WHEREAS, E. G. "Jerry" Gladbach previously served on the Castaic Lake Water Agency Board of Directors from January 1985 through December 2017; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach had served as Board President for the Castaic Lake Water Agency from January 1987 to December of 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach served on the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) Board of Directors from January 2018 through July 2022 serving as Board Vice President from February 2020 to July 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach served on several Agency Committees over his 37 ½ years of service as a Director, serving as Chair of the Agency's Public Outreach and Legislation Committee and a member of the Finance and Administration Committee, as well as serving on the Agency's Financing Corporation and the Upper Santa Clara Valley Joint Powers Authority and as a Director on the Devil's Den Water District; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach voted and was active in his support of the vision to combine Castaic Lake Water Agency and Newhall County Water District to form the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach was actively involved in ACWA throughout his career sitting on the Board from 1998 to July 2022 and serving as both ACWA's Vice President from 2002 through 2003 and Board President from 2004 through 2005, as well as serving on numerous ACWA Committees; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach also contributed significantly to the ACWA/JPIA, serving on the Board from 2002 to July 2022 and as its Board President from 2010 to July 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach served as a member on several Boards including National Water Resources Association, LAFCO and CALAFCO's; receiving CALAFCO's Outstanding Commissioner Award in 2013 and CALAFCO's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gladbach supported the Agency's mission statement of providing responsible water stewardship to ensure the Santa Clarita Valley has reliable supplies of high quality water at a reasonable cost; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors deem it most fitting that Mr. Gladbach's outstanding service to the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and the customers it serves be appropriately recognized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors appreciates and recognizes E. G. "Jerry" Gladbach for his 37 ½ years of service to the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency and the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency and thanks him for his support of the Board, employees and customers of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency through his many significant contributions and leadership during his time as a Board member.

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency – January 3, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency was held at Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, January 3, 2023. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the Agency preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Kathye Armitage, Beth Braunstein, Ed Colley, William Cooper, Maria Gutzeit, Dirk Marks, Gary Martin, Piotr Orzechowski (Arrived at 6:08 PM) and Ken Petersen.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None.

Also present: Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Board Secretary April Jacobs, Chief Engineer Courtney Mael, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer Rochelle Patterson, Communications Manager Kathie Martin, Director of Water Resources Ali Elhassan, General Counsel Joe Byrne, General Manager Matthew Stone, Human Resources Manager Ari Mantis, Information Technology Technician I Jonathan Thomas, Management Analyst II Cheryl Fowler, Senior Information Technology Technician Emmanuel Adinkra, as well as additional SCV Water Agency staff and members of the public.

President Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was present.

There were no changes to the January 3, 2023 Board Agenda and it was accepted as shown (Item 4).

The Board Secretary administered the Ceremonial Oath of Office to Directors Cooper, Gutzeit and Marks (Item 5.1).

Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Vice President Orzechowski and carried, the Board approved having two Vice Presidents by the following roll call votes (Item 5.2):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

President Martin announced the next item of business was Agenda Item 5.3 election of Board President and Vice Presidents and requested that the Board Secretary conduct the election of officers.

After a review of the guidelines for the election process, the Board Secretary called for nominations for the position of Board President.

Director Cooper nominated Director Martin and Director Braunstein nominated Director Colley.

With there being no further nominations, Directors had an opportunity to make comments and ask questions of the nominees.

After a brief discussion, votes were then taken by roll call vote (as shown below), tallied and Director Martin received a vote of 6 which is over the majority vote of the Board.

Director Armitage voted for Director for Colley
Director Braunstein voted for Director Colley
Director Colley Abstained
Director Cooper voted for Director Martin
Director Gutzeit voted for Director Martin
Director Marks voted for Director Martin
Director Martin voted for Director Martin
Director Orzechowski voted for Director Martin
Director Petersen voted for Director Martin

Upon motion of Director Orzechowski, seconded by Director Gutzeit and carried, Director Martin was elected to the position of Board President by the following roll call votes (Item 5.3):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes
Director Martin	Yes	Director Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

The Board Secretary then called for nominations for the position of the first Board Vice President (note that the first and second positions for Vice President are of equal standing).

Director Cooper nominated Director Orzechowski and Director Braunstein nominated Director Armitage.

With there being no further nominations, Directors had an opportunity to make comments and ask questions of the nominees.

After a brief discussion, votes were then taken by roll call vote (as shown below), tallied and Director Orzechowski received a vote of 7 which is over the majority of the Board.

Director Armitage voted for Director Armitage
Director Braunstein voted for Director Armitage
Director Colley voted for Director Orzechowski
Director Cooper voted for Director Orzechowski
Director Gutzeit voted for Director Orzechowski
Director Marks voted for Director Orzechowski
President Martin voted for Director Orzechowski
Director Orzechowski voted for Director Orzechowski
Director Petersen voted for Director Orzechowski

Upon motion of President Martin, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, Director Orzechowski was elected to the position of Board Vice President by the following roll call votes (Item 5.3):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	No
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes

President Martin	Yes	Director Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

The Board Secretary then called for nominations for the second position of Board Vice President. President Martin nominated Director Gutzeit and Director Braunstein nominated Director Armitage.

With there being no further nominations, Directors had an opportunity to make comments and ask questions of the nominees.

After a brief discussion, votes were then taken by roll call vote (as shown below), tallied and Director Gutzeit received a vote of 6 which is over the majority of the Board.

Director Armitage voted for Director Armitage
Director Braunstein voted for Director Armitage
Director Colley voted for Director Armitage
Director Cooper voted for Director Gutzeit
Director Gutzeit voted for Director Gutzeit
Director Marks voted for Director Gutzeit
President Martin voted for Director Gutzeit
Director Orzechowski voted for Director Gutzeit
Director Petersen voted for Director Gutzeit

Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by President Martin and carried, Director Gutzeit was elected to the position of Board Vice President by the following roll call votes (Item 5.3):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

The Board then selected their seats at the Board table (Item 5.4)

Upon motion of Vice President Gutzeit, seconded by Director Marks and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar including Resolution Nos. SCV-326 (revised) and SCV-327 by the following roll call votes (Item 6):

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-326

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER TO**

**HAZEN AND SAWYER FOR PLANNING SERVICES
FOR SAUGUS WELLS (N11, N12, N13) GROUNDWATER
TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AND FINDING THAT THE
AUTHORIZATION IS NOT A PROJECT SUBJECT TO CEQA**

<https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/SCV-Water-Approved-Resolution-010323-Resolution-SCV-326.pdf>

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-327

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY APPROVING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO (1) SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES FOR ROUND 2 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PURSUANT TO THE WATER QUALITY, SUPPLY AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2014, (2) COMMIT TO PROVIDING THE REQUIRED MATCHING FUNDS FOR SCV WATER PROJECTS, (3) REQUIRE THE OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS THROUGH SUB GRANTEE AGREEMENTS WITH THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY, (4) ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE A GRANT FOR THE UPPER SANTA CLARA RIVER INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN REGION, AND (5) EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES ACCEPTING FUNDING UNDER THE PROP 1 ROUND 2 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM

<https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/SCV-Water-Approved-Resolution-010323-Resolution-SCV-327.pdf>

General Manager's Report on Activities, Projects and Programs (Item 7).

General Manager Stone reported on the following:

The General Manager wished everyone a happy new year and briefly discussed the past five years and coming full circle of our new governance structure. He made a brief comment on the Board coming together and appreciating the comments and discussion during tonight's election process as well as looking forward to the new year.

There was then a brief discussion on the recent rains with more discussion to come at future Board and Committee meetings.

To hear the full report please refer to the Board recording at **https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Board_Recording_010323.mp3**.

Committee Meeting Recap Reports for Informational Purposes Only (Item 8).

There were no comments on the recap reports.

Written Reports for Informational Purposes Only (Item 9).

Director Armitage had a few comments on the Finance, Administration and Information Technology Services Section Report and on the Water Resources and Outreach Section Report. To hear Director Armitage's comments, please refer to the Board recording at https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Board_Recording_010323.mp3.

There were no other comments on the written reports.

President's Report (Item 10).

The President updated the Board on upcoming meetings and events and miscellaneous items. To hear the full report please refer to the Board recording at https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Board_Recording_010323.mp3.

AB 1234 Written and Verbal Reports (Item 11).

There were no AB 1234 Reports.

Director Reports (Item 12).

Director Armitage advised the Board that she is a member of the Association of Women in Water, Energy and Environment and there is a webinar coming up on "Project Nexus" - A First-in-the Nation Project to Install Solar Over Canals, being held on January 10, 2023. She has two guests passes if anyone is interested in attending.

There were no other Director Reports.

Director Requests For Approval For Event Attendance (Item 13).

Vice President Gutzeit mentioned that she received a congratulatory card from United Water Conservation District (UWCD) Board President Bruce Dandy offering a tour of the UWCD facilities. She thought it would be great if the Board could participate as a group or groups in a tour(s) of the UWCD facilities.

Upon motion of Director Braunstein, seconded by Director Marks and carried, the Board approved full Board participation in a tour(s) of the UWCD facilities, noting this will not be a special Board meeting and that if the full Board wishes to attend, it will need to be in groups of less than a quorum of the Board attending on separate occasions, by the following roll call votes:

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

Director Armitage asked for approval to attend the upcoming 2023 19th Annual California Water Law Symposium “Diverse Needs: Species Protection and Water Supply” being held at the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento on February 4, 2023.

Upon motion of Director Braunstein, seconded by Director Armitage and carried, the Board approved full Board participation at the 2023 19th Annual California Water Law Symposium “Diverse Needs: Species Protection and Water Supply” being held at the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento on February 4, 2023 by the following roll call votes:

Director Armitage	Yes	Director Braunstein	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
Vice President Gutzeit	Yes	Director Marks	Yes
President Martin	Yes	Vice President Orzechowski	Yes
Director Petersen	Yes		

There were no other requests for approval for event attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM (Item 14).

ATTEST:

April Jacobs, Board Secretary

President of the Board



BOARD MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 6, 2023

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Courtney Mael, P.E. *CM*
Chief Engineer

SUBJECT Approve a Resolution Authorizing a Purchase Order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for Planning Services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Project, and Finding that the Authorization is Not a Project Subject to CEQA

SUMMARY

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) has identified a need to increase the water storage capacity at the existing Sand Canyon Reservoir site to serve the eastern portion of its service area. Staff issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project. The project will identify the amount of additional storage improvements that can be constructed at the site. Staff received two (2) planning services proposals and is recommending approval of a resolution authorizing a purchase order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project.

DISCUSSION

Completed construction in 2007, the Sand Canyon Reservoir is a 7-million-gallon partially buried rectangular cast-in-place reinforced concrete reservoir. Located in the east of SCV Water's service area, the reservoir is sited on a property approximately 9.6 acres in size. SCV Water has identified a need to increase the water storage capacity at this location to serve the eastern portion of the service area.

On October 6, 2022, staff issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to several of SCV Water's on-call consultants for planning services to determine the additional water storage capital improvements for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project. On November 16, 2022, staff received proposals from two (2) consultants, Lee + Ro, Inc. and Black & Veatch, Inc. The proposals were reviewed and evaluated by staff from Engineering and Operations & Maintenance. The evaluation team reviewed the proposals based on the qualifications-based selection procedure applying the following criteria: responsiveness (conformance and compliance) to the RFP requirements, project understanding, project approach, responsibilities (resources/ capability/ qualifications/ availability) to perform the work, scope of work, and schedule. The evaluation team selected Lee + Ro, Inc. as the firm to provide the planning services for the project.

The scope of work will include but is not limited to identifying additional water storage capital improvements, evaluating alternative options, preparing estimated construction costs, and providing preliminary design of the recommended improvements to be able to conduct environmental review of such a potential project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CONSIDERATIONS

The approval of a purchase order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project authorizes the preparation of feasibility and planning studies and does not constitute an approval for the construction of the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion and so is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section 15262.

On January 5, 2023 the Engineering and Operations Committee considered staff's recommendation to approve a resolution authorizing a purchase order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project, and finding that the authorization is not a project subject to CEQA.

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

The award of this planning contract will help meet SCV Water's objective and Strategic Plan Objective B.1: "Plan, design and build facilities to meet demand including storage capacity and interconnections between regional and retail water systems." and B.2: "Plan and budget for long-term replacements and improvements."

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The project was not initially included in the Agency's FY 2022/23 Budget. The budget for this work will be funded from another capital improvement project that is anticipated to be under budget. The planning services would be performed on a time and expense basis with a not to exceed budget of \$420,000.

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering and Operations Committee recommends that the Board of Directors find that approval of the proposed action is exempt from the CEQA Review, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines section 15262, because the project only involves feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the Agency has not approved, adopted, or funded and approve the resolution authorizing a purchase order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for an amount not to exceed of \$420,000 for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project.

Attachment

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RESOLUTION NO. SCV-XXX

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER
TO LEE + RO, INC. FOR PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE
SAND CANYON RESERVOIR EXPANSION PROJECT, AND FINDING THAT THE
AUTHORIZATION IS NOT A PROJECT SUBJECT TO CEQA**

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) wishes to conduct feasibility and planning studies with regard to the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project, as it continues to work towards meeting its Strategic Plan Objectives B.1: “Plan, design and build facilities to meet demand including storage capacity and interconnections between regional and retail water systems.” and B.2: “Plan and Budget for long term replacements and improvements”; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the resolution for a purchase order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project authorizes the preparation of feasibility and planning studies, and does not constitute an approval for the construction of the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project and so is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section 15262; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not commit the Agency to any current or future projects, and does not entail any construction or other activity that could result in a potential physical change to the environment; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2022, SCV Water issued the Request for Proposal (RFP) to several of its on-call consultants on PlanetBids for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2022, proposals from two (2) consultants were electronically received on the Agency’s website page on PlanetBids pursuant to the Agency’s planning services RFP for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project; and

WHEREAS, it is in the SCV Water’s best interest that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the SCV Water, authorize its General Manager to award a purchase order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for planning services in the amount of \$420,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the SCV Water Board does hereby find and determine as follows:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The Board finds that the administrative record has been completed in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and that the CEQA findings reflect the Board's independent judgment.

SECTION 2. LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS. The documents and materials associated with the project that constitute the record of proceedings on which these findings are based are located at the offices of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Rd, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. The Custodian of Record is April Jacobs.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's Board of Directors authorize its General Manager to issue a Purchase Order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for planning services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion project for the total sum of \$420,000.

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January 17, 2023

Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Planning Services

Board Meeting

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Service Area



Sand Canyon Reservoir Property



Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Planning Services



- Sand Canyon Reservoir
- 9.6 acres of property
 - Began design in 2004
 - Completed construction in 2007
 - 7-million-gallon storage capacity

Sand Canyon Reservoir facing Southwest



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Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Planning Services

- October 6, 2022: Request for Proposal (RFP) advertised on PlanetBids
- November 16, 2022: Two (2) proposals received
 - Lee + Ro, Inc.
 - Black & Veatch, Inc.
- Evaluation Team: Engineering, Operations & Maintenance
- Lee + Ro, Inc. selected based on:
 - Responsiveness (conformance and compliance) to the RFP requirements
 - Project understanding
 - Project approach
 - Responsibility (resources/capability/qualifications/availability) to perform the work
 - Scope of work
 - Schedule

** SCV Water's objective and Strategic Plan Objective B.1: "Plan, design and build facilities to meet demand including storage capacity and interconnections between regional and retail water systems." and B.2: "Plan and budget for long-term replacements and improvements."



Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Planning Services

Scope of Work

- Project Meetings and Workshops
- Data Collection and Review
- Perform Topographical Surveys
- Reservoir Expansion Planning (land use, flood and seismic risk assessments, site layout, site accessibility, piping, transient studies including modeling using the surge software, electrical load analysis)
- Identification of easements, jurisdictional boundaries, future construction discharge quantities, and permit requirement
- Planning Level Design Drawings and 3-D Renderings
- Estimated Construction Costs



Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Planning Services

- Award Phase:
 - January 5, 2023: Engineering and Operations Committee
 - January 17, 2023: Board Meeting

- Planning Phase:
 - February 2023: Notice to Proceed
 - February 2023 to August 2023: Planning Services



Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Planning Services

The Engineering and Operations Committee recommends that the Board of Directors:

- I. Find that approval of the proposed action is exempt from the CEQA Review, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines section 15262, because the project only involves feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the Agency has not approved, adopted, or funded; and
- II. Approve the resolution authorizing the General Manager to execute a purchase order for planning services to Lee + Ro, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$420,000.



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BOARD MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 6, 2023
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Courtney Mael, P.E. *CM*
Chief Engineer
SUBJECT: Approve (1) a Resolution for Construction Contract with Pacific Hydrotech Corporation, (2) a Purchase Order to Kennedy Jenks for Engineering Services During Construction and (3) a Purchase Order to MKN CPM, LLC for Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Well 201 Groundwater Improvements Project is Exempt from CEQA Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and Alternatively, Section 15303, and Authorize Approval of the Purchase Orders

SUMMARY

SCV Water is planning to construct additional treatment improvements to treat Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) at its Well 201. The site construction work for the Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements project was advertised, and bids have been received. Staff is recommending award of a construction contract to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation. Staff is also recommending approval of a purchase order to Kennedy Jenks (KJ) for engineering services during construction and to MKN CPM, LLC (MKN) for construction management and inspection services.

DISCUSSION

SCV Water is planning to provide additional groundwater treatment at Well 201. Well 201 is located at 24050 Valencia Boulevard, Valencia, CA. As a result of perchlorate concentrations in the well water that exceed the State of California's Division of Drinking Water (DDW) Primary Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL), SCV Water installed perchlorate treatment using Ion Exchange in 2017. The design capacity of Well 201 is 2,400 gallons per minute (gpm), and the design perchlorate treatment capacity is 2,000 gpm. SCV Water is currently working with DDW to obtain the operational permit for Well 201 perchlorate treatment. Well 201 also contains VOCs, including trace concentrations of Trichloroethylene (TCE) that exceed detection limits. As a result of DDW's treatment requirements for this site, VOC Treatment is necessary at the Well 201 site.

The proposed VOC treatment uses Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) technology which includes bag pre-filters and treatment vessels that will capture and remove VOCs to non-detect limits before entering the distribution system. The site construction work for the Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements project was advertised for construction on October 6, 2022 with a December 19, 2022 bid opening. Staff is recommending award of a construction contract to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation. Staff is also recommending approval of a purchase order to Kennedy Jenks (KJ) for engineering services during construction and to MKN CPM, LLC (MKN) for construction management and inspection services.

The construction bid solicitation was advertised in accordance with the SCV Water Purchasing Policy, with notices in the Signal on three (3) different dates and on the Agency's website. On

December 19, 2022, seven (7) construction bids were electronically received and opened. A summary of the bids is presented below:

Bidder	Bidder Office Location	Total Bid Price
Pacific Hydrotech Corporation	Perris, CA	\$7,726,700
GSE Construction Co., Inc.	Livermore, CA	\$8,219,800
Mehta Mechanical Company Inc.	La Palma, CA	\$8,333,000
Metro Builders & Engineers	Newport Beach, CA	\$8,754,569
J.R. Filanc Construction Co.	Escondido, CA	\$8,769,101
Caliagua, Inc.	Anaheim, CA	\$8,954,060
Environmental Construction, Inc.	La Palma, CA	\$9,797,525

The apparent lowest responsive bid is from Pacific Hydrotech Corporation. for a total of \$7,726,700. The engineer's estimate for the project is \$7,700,000. Pacific Hydrotech Corporation is registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and has successfully completed projects for the Agency in the past.

CEQA DETERMINATION

The proposed action today is authorizing the construction for VOCs treatment facility at the Well 201 Groundwater Improvements project. The whole of the action also includes construction and operation of the project. The term "project" in CEQA refers to the whole of an action and to the underlying activity being approved, not to each governmental approval. (CEQA Guideline §15378(a), (c)–(d).) This definition ensures that the action reviewed under CEQA is not the approval itself but the development or other activities that will result from the approval. Therefore, the project is subject to CEQA.

Based on the final design, and because the project construction is a minor alteration limited to construction within SCV Water's existing facility property and the City of Santa Clarita Rights-of-Way, construction and operation of this project is found to be categorically exempt under the provisions of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines as described below:

The project, aka the whole of the action, qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines Section 15301 Class 1 Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and it concerns proposed new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water, beyond that existing at the time of the lead SCV Water's determination.

The project also qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines Section 15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures because the water main extension and treatment system reflect limited construction of facilities where only minor modifications are made.

None of the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines would apply to the action.

On January 5, 2023, the Engineering and Operations Committee considered staff's recommendation to approve (1) a resolution for construction contract with Pacific Hydrotech Corporation and (2) a purchase order to Kennedy Jenks for engineering services during construction and (3) a purchase order to MKN CPM, LLC for construction management and

inspection services for the Well 201 Groundwater Improvements project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and alternatively, Section 15303, and authorize approval of the purchase orders.

STRATEGIC PLAN NEXUS

This project helps meet SCV Water's objective and Strategic Plan Objective D.2: "Proactively install, operate, and maintain groundwater treatment infrastructure to avoid impacts on water supply reliability (e.g. VOCs, perchlorate, PFAS, etc.)."

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The project is included in the SCV Water's FY 2022/23 Capital Improvement Budget for the Well 201 Groundwater Improvements project. The project's total estimated cost, including planning, design, construction management and inspection, construction, and miscellaneous costs, is approximately \$8,500,000. Pacific Hydrotech Corporation's bid is \$7,726,700.

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering and Operations Committee recommends that the Board of Directors (1) Find the Contract Agreement exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and alternatively, exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15303, (2) approve the attached resolution for a construction contract with Pacific Hydrotech Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$7,726,700, (3) authorize the General Manager to execute a purchase order with Kenndy Jenks for an amount not to exceed \$510,000 for engineering services during construction and (4) authorize the General Manager to execute a work authorization with MKN CPM, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$700,000 for construction management and inspection services for the Well 201 Groundwater Improvements project.

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
FINDING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO PACIFIC HYDROTECH
CORPORATION FOR THE WELL 201 VOC TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT EXEMPT FROM CEQA UNDER CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15301,
AND ALTERNATIVELY, SECTION 15303, AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) determined that Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) are a threat to the Agency's groundwater resources; and

WHEREAS, the Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements is an important component to treat VOCs; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, as the CEQA Lead Agency, filed a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office on November 14, 2021, the Ventura County Clerk's Office on November 5, 2021, and the State Clearinghouse on November 29, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the project, aka the whole of the action, qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines section 15301 Class 1 Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and it concerns proposed new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water, beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination; and

WHEREAS, the project, aka the whole of the action, also qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines section 15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures because the water main extension and treatment system reflect limited construction of facilities where only minor modifications are made; and

WHEREAS, all bid proposals submitted to the Agency pursuant to the Agency's specifications (Project No. 2301146) for procurement of the Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements, as amended by Addenda, were publicly opened electronically on the Agency's bid website page on PlanetBids on Monday, December 19, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., in full accordance with the law and the Agency's customary procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds, after considering the opinion of staff, that the total bid of Pacific Hydrotech Corporation in the amount of \$7,726,700 is the lowest responsible bid of seven (7) bids submitted, and that said bid substantially meets the requirements of said materials purchase contract documents as amended by Addenda; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to accept the \$7,726,700 bid from Pacific Hydrotech Corporation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Agency's Board of Directors finds the contract agreement exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and alternatively, exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15303.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's Board of Directors authorize its General Manager to accept Pacific Hydrotech Corporation's bid and does therefore authorize the Agency's General Manager or its Chief Engineer to issue a Notice of Award to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation, hereby found to be the "lowest responsive responsible bidder" for the Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements for the total sum of \$7,726,700.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's General Manager or its President and Secretary are thereupon authorized, upon receipt of appropriate payment and performance bonds, appropriate certificates of insurance and an executed Contract Agreement from Pacific Hydrotech Corporation, all of which must be approved by General Counsel, to execute the said Contract Agreement on behalf of the Agency.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Agency's General Manager or Chief Engineer are thereafter authorized to execute and forward to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation an appropriate Notice to Proceed.

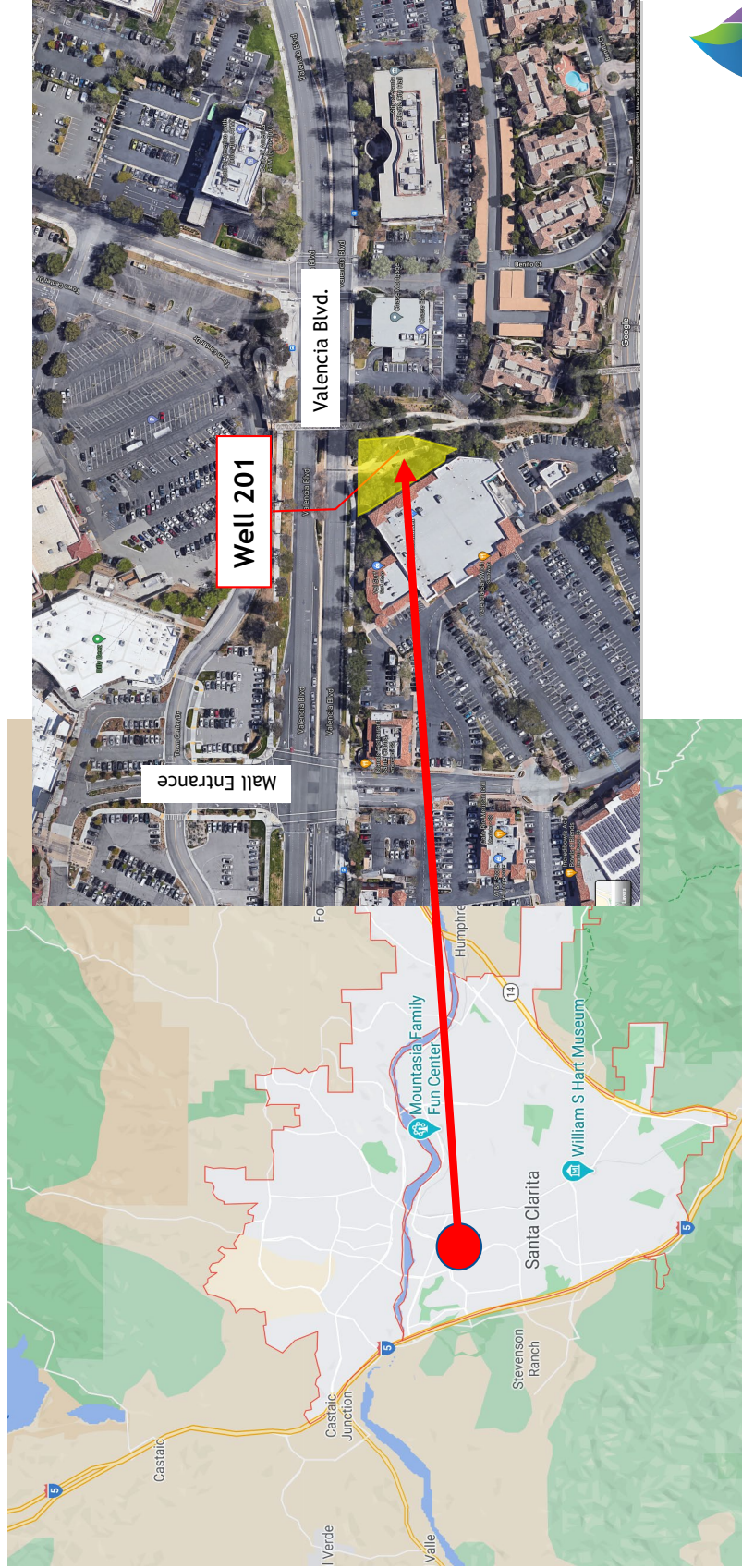


January 17, 2023

Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project

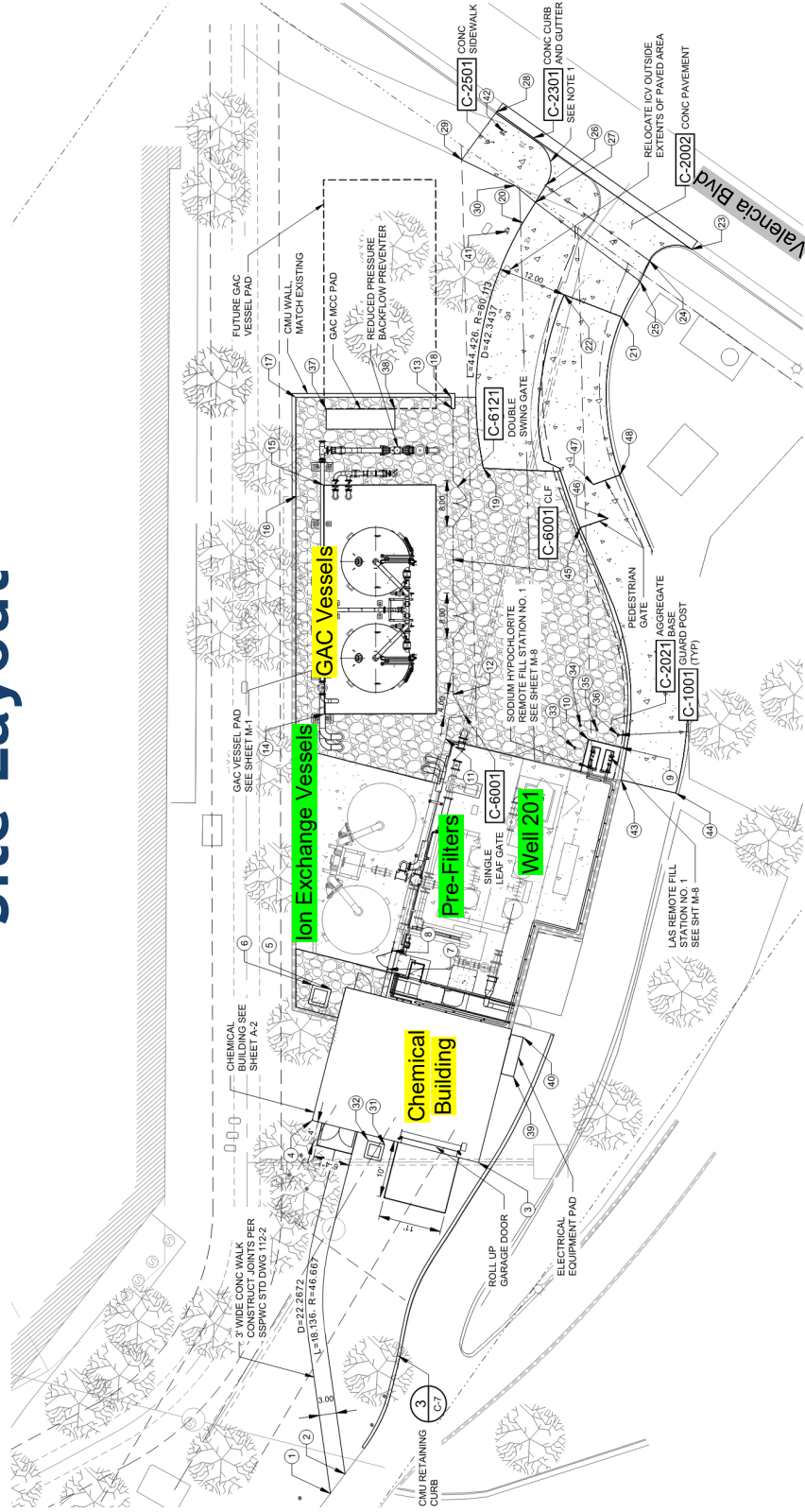
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Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project Location Map

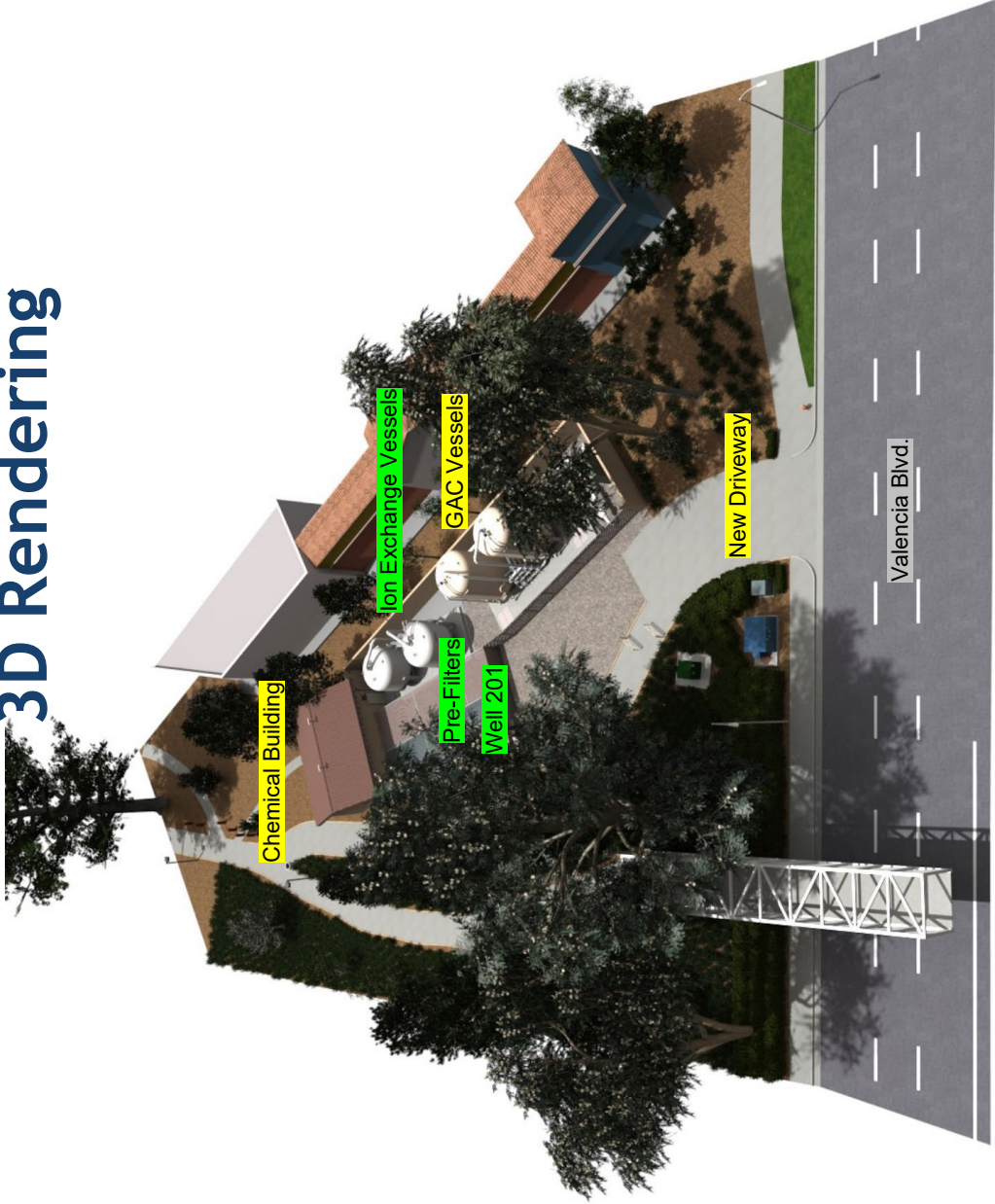


Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project

Site Layout



Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project 3D Rendering



Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project

Bid Analysis

- Staff advertised project on PlanetBids on October 6, 2022
- Project was advertised in the Signal on October 15, 22 and 27, 2022
- Bids were electronically opened on December 19, 2022

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***Engineer's Estimate \$7,700,000.**

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Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project Kennedy Jenks Proposal

Engineering Services During Construction:

Submittals, RFIs, meetings, etc.	\$397,000
Well Rehabilitation Services	\$83,000
<u>Project Closeout and Record Drawings</u>	<u>\$30,000</u>
Subtotal	\$510,000

Total Recommended Time and Materials Not to Exceed Budget \$510,000



Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project MKN Proposal

Construction Management and Inspection Services:	
Construction Management and Inspection Services	\$535,000
<u>Material Testing</u>	<u>\$165,000</u>
Subtotal	\$700,000

Total Recommended Time and Materials Not to Exceed Budget \$700,000



Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project

Project Schedule

- Construction Award Phase:
 - January 5, 2023: Engineering and Operations Committee
 - January 17, 2023: Board Meeting (to help with price volatility)
- Construction Phase:
 - February 2023: Notice to Proceed
 - February 2023 to April 2024: Construction (425 calendar days)
 - Summer 2024: Begin water deliveries from Well 201



Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements Project Project Recommendation

The Engineering and Operations Committee recommends that the Board of Directors:

- (1) Find the Contract Agreement exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and alternatively, exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15303;
- (2) Adopt the resolution awarding a contract to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation for the Well 201 VOC Treatment Improvements project for \$7,726,700;
- (3) Authorize the General Manager to execute a purchase order for Engineering Services during Construction with Kennedy Jenks for an amount not to exceed \$510,000; and
- (4) Authorize the General Manager to execute a purchase order for construction management and inspection services with MKN for an amount not to exceed \$700,000.



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BOARD MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 6, 2023
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Courtney Mael, P.E., Chief Engineer *CM*
Keith Abercrombie, Chief Operating Officer *KA*
SUBJECT: January 5, 2023 Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting Recap Report

The Engineering and Operations Committee met at 5:30 PM on Thursday, January 5, 2023 in the Summit Circle Engineering Services Section Boardroom located at 26521 Summit Circle. In attendance were Committee Chair William Cooper, and Directors Gary Martin; Piotr Orzechowski and Kenneth Petersen. Staff members present were Assistant General Manager Steve Cole; Chief Engineer Courtney Mael; Chief Operating Officer Keith Abercrombie; Engineer Mark Aumentado; Executive Assistants Elizabeth Adler and Leticia Quintero; General Manager Matt Stone; Senior Engineer Shadi Bader and additional SCV Water Agency staff. Two members of the public were present. A copy of the agenda is attached.

Item 1: Pledge of Allegiance – Chairman Cooper led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 2: Public Comments – There was public comment.

Item 3: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Authorizing a Purchase Order to Lee + Ro, Inc. for Planning Services for the Sand Canyon Reservoir Expansion Project, and Finding that the Authorization is Not a Project Subject to CEQA – The Committee and staff discussed the need for the expansion project, the history of the original reservoir project and the impact that made on the decision to use Lee + Ro for planning services. The Committee recommended the item be placed on the Consent Calendar at the January 17, 2023 regular Board meeting.

Item 4: Recommend Finding that the Approval of (1) a Resolution for Construction Contract with Pacific Hydrotech Corporation and (2) a Purchase Order to Kennedy Jenks for Engineering Services During Construction and (3) a Purchase Order to MKN CPM, LLC for Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Well 201 Groundwater Improvements Project is Exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and alternatively, Section 15303, and Authorize Approval of the Purchase Orders – The Committee and staff discussed in depth the type of media that will be used and the location and security of the vessels. The Committee recommended the item be presented at the January 17, 2023 regular Board meeting.

Item 5: Monthly Operations and Production Report – Staff and the Committee reviewed the Operations and Production Report.

Item 6: Capital Improvement Projects Construction Status Report – Staff and the Committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Projects Construction Status Report.

Item 7: Committee Planning Calendar – Staff and the Committee reviewed FY 2022/23 Committee Planning Calendar.

Item 8: General Report on Treatment, Distribution, Operations and Maintenance Services Section Activities – Keith Abercrombie updated the Committee on the near completion of the current AMI replacement project and shared that a second AMI replacement project is anticipated to start in April 2023. Keith also updated the Committee on several resin changeouts within the SCVWA service area.

Item 9: General Report on Engineering Services Section Activities – Courtney Mael introduced the Engineering Services Section’s newest Engineer Wai Lan Lee and SCVWA consultant Hazen and Sawyer presented an update to the Committee on the SCVWA Master Plan.

Item 10: Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

The meeting recording is available on the SCV Water Website or by clicking the following link <https://yourscvwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/January-5-2023-Engineering-and-Operations-Committee-Meeting-Audio.mp3>

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Date: December 27, 2022

To: **Engineering and Operations Committee**
William Cooper, Chair
Gary Martin
Piotr Orzechowski
Kenneth Petersen

From: Courtney Mael, Chief Engineer *CM*
Keith Abercrombie, Chief Operating Officer *KA*

The **Engineering and Operations Committee** meeting is scheduled on **Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 5:30 PM at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Engineering Services Section (ESS) Boardroom**. Members of the public may attend in person or virtually. To attend this meeting virtually, please see below.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

This meeting will be conducted in person at the address listed above. As a convenience to the public, members of the public may also participate virtually by using the **Agency's Call-In Number 1-(833)-568-8864, Webinar ID: 160 429 3481 or Zoom Webinar by clicking on the link <https://scvwa.zoomgov.com/j/1604293481>**. Any member of the public may listen to the meeting or make comments to the Committee using the call-in number or Zoom Webinar link above. However, in the event there is a disruption of service which prevents the Agency from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using either the call-in option or internet-based service, this meeting will not be postponed or rescheduled but will continue without remote participation. The remote participation option is being provided as a convenience to the public and is not required. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting in person.

Attendees should be aware that while the Agency is following all applicable requirements and guidelines regarding COVID-19, the Agency cannot ensure the health of anyone attending a Committee meeting. Attendees should therefore use their own judgment with respect to protecting themselves from exposure to COVID-19.

Members of the public unable to attend this meeting may submit comments either in writing to eadler@scvwa.org or by mail to Elizabeth Adler, Executive Assistant, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. All written comments received before 4:00 PM the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Committee members and posted on the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency website prior to the start of the meeting. Anything received after 4:00 PM the day of the meeting, will be made available at the meeting, if practicable, and will be posted on the SCV Water website the following day. All correspondence with comments, including letters or emails, will be posted in their entirety.

MEETING AGENDA

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NOTICES:

Any person may make a request for a disability-related modification or accommodation needed for that person to be able to participate in the public meeting by telephoning Elizabeth Adler, Executive Assistant, at (661) 297-1600, or in writing to Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. Requests must specify the nature of the disability and the type of accommodation requested. A telephone number or other contact information should be included so that Agency staff may discuss appropriate arrangements. Persons requesting a disability-related accommodation should make the request with adequate time before the meeting for the Agency to provide the requested accommodation.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.5, non-exempt public records that relate to open session agenda items and are distributed to a majority of the Committee less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting will be available for public inspection at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350, during regular business hours. When practical, these public records will also be made available on the Agency's Internet Website, accessible at <http://www.yourscwater.com>.

Posted on December 28, 2022.

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