

Director name: Gary Martin

Meetings attended: Delta Conveyance Design & Construction Authority (DCA)

One-on-One Meeting with Graham Bradner, DCA Interim Executive Director.

Dates of meetings: June 8, 2021

Location: Virtual

SCV Water Board meeting to be presented at: June 15, 2021

On June 8, 2021, I attended a one-on-one meeting with DCA Interim Executive Director Graham Bradner. Mr. Bradner was recently appointed by the DCA Board to his position succeeding Kathryn Mallon who has stepped away to pursue other opportunities. Ms. Mallon continues to provide support to Mr. Bradner and the DCA on a part-time, as-needed basis during the transitional period.

I had an informative discussion with Mr. Bradner on issues of mutual interest. The points of interest in our discussion are as follows:

- One of the major efforts going forward in the near term is completing the geotechnical investigation along the tunnel routes. Mr. Bradner provided an update on these efforts, including the process of acquiring the various right-of-entry authorizations from land owners where the work needs to be done. Progress is expected, although slow and methodical as the DCA team is being careful to respect the legal process and land owner's rights and concerns.
- We discussed the scope of work and goals for the upcoming budget year, including support necessary for DWR's environmental process and work to further refine design alternatives.
- We also discussed Mr. Bradner's willingness to meet with SCVWA staff and board to provide an overview update on this critically important project. I relayed to Mr. Bradner that there is significant interest in hearing directly from him after we get through the significant items that are currently under consideration, such as the 2020 UWMP, WSCP and the proposed 5-year rate plan. We will be looking at possible dates after July, 2021.

I appreciate the opportunity to meet one-on-one with Mr. Bradner and I look forward to working with Graham and the DCA team to help move this important project forward to implementation.

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Director Name: Jerry Gladbach

Meeting Attended: ACWA's Energy Committee Date of Meeting: June 10, 2021 Date of Meeting to be Presented at: June 15, 2021 Points of Interest:

DWR is required to submit a report to the Legislature by Jan. 1, 2022 on its plan to reduce emissions. A draft should be available for comment by October.

Jonathan Young, of the State Water Contractors, gave a background on the organization. He pointed out that energy is one of the fastest growing costs for DWR. It is the 4th largest user of energy in the State behind the 3 electrical utilities. DWR is ahead of its target of zero emissions by 2045. The proposal to put solar panels over the aqueduct, in addition to producing energy, would reduce evaporation and reduce the growth of weeds in the aqueduct, however it would create problems in other maintenance and repairs and the humidity would shorten the life of the panels. There is \$20M in the budget for grants for local agencies to develop solar projects.

ACWA is a member of a large coalition that is working with CARB regarding zero emissions for new vehicles purchased starting in 2027, they are concerned about the availability and competitiveness of special vehicles. With so many laws and regulations on zero emissions there is a lot of overlap and conflicts.

The private utilities each gave a presentation regarding their Demand Response Programs. There is a lot going on. A lot of new programs and it behoves agencies to reevaluate their operations in light of the new programs, and it is complicated. ACWA has issued a RFP to assist members and will be finalizing the selection of the company very soon. The Director of the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) pointed out that California is in better shape for this summer in meeting all of the electrical loads this summer. We get 25% of our electricity from out of state. However we must invest more in new transmission lines and sub-stations to make the energy from out of state more available in the future. It will be a real challenge to keep rates reasonable.

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Meeting attended: Delta Conveyance Design & Construction Authority (DCA) Board Prep meeting on June 11, 2021.

Dates of meeting: June 11, 2021

Location: Virtual

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On May 14, 2021, I attended the DCA Board Prep meeting conducted virtually on the RingCentral platform. The meeting was conducted with DCA staff and 3 of the 7 DCA Directors. The purpose of the meeting was to go over the agenda material for the June 17 regular board meeting to help familiarize directors about the agenda material and to answer any questions that the directors may have. The points of interest and proposed agenda discussed are presented below.

Key components of the draft proposed agenda was as follows:

Discussion Items:

- June DCA Monthly Report (information only).
- Adopt DCA FY 21/22.
- Pass resolution and adopt an updated investment policy.
- Pass resolution and adopt an updated ethics policy.
- Discuss DCA board of directors meeting cadence.

Staff Reports and Announcements

- General Counsel's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- DWR Environmental Manager's Report
- Verbal Reports, if any.

Key Points of Interest:

- Attending directors appreciated the briefing but had no significant comment or suggested changes to the proposed agenda.