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Meeting attended: Sites Reservoir Town Hall Meeting Webinar  
Date of meeting: July 15, 2020  
Location: Web Conference  
SCV Water Board meeting to be presented at: July 21, 2020

On July 15, 2020 I attended the Sites Reservoir Town Hall Meeting via web conference. The agenda and format of the meeting were as follows:

1. Introduction by Fritz Durst, Sites Reservoir Project JPA Board Chair
2. Project overview by Jerry Brown, Sites Reservoir Project Executive Director
3. Resource Panel Introduction:
  - Jerry Brown, Sites Reservoir Project Executive Director
  - Fritz Durst, Sites Reservoir Project JPA Board Chair
  - Jeff Sutton, Sites Reservoir Project JPA Board Vice-Chair
  - Thad Bettner, Reservoir Committee Chair
  - Jeff Davis, Reservoir Committee Vice Chair
4. Q&A / Discussion

Points of Interest:

1. The project is located 10 miles west of the Town of Maxwell in the Sacramento Valley.
2. Sites is an off-stream facility that captures storm water flows from the Sacramento River after all other water rights and regulatory requirements are met.
3. The project was described as follows: "Sites Reservoir is generational opportunity to construct a multi-benefit water storage project that helps restore flexibility, reliability, and resiliency to our statewide water supply."
4. Sites is said to perform best under climate change scenarios.
5. There are 28 participating agencies, with SCVWA being one of them.
6. The project has been value engineered ("right-sized") to 1.5 million acre-feet.
7. Changes from the value engineering process:
  - Reservoir size reduced from 1.8 to 1.5 million acre feet
  - Eliminated major new conveyance facility (using existing)
  - Eliminated pump-back storage energy generating system
  - Output reduced from 500,000 acre-feet per year to 230,000 acre-feet per year
  - Cost reduced by \$2 Billion
8. The cost of water from the project is estimated to be around \$600 - \$700 per acre-foot
9. The South of Delta participation is 140,750 acre-feet per year.
10. Benefits of the project were described as follows:
  - Off-stream reservoir
  - Flood control
  - Flexibility of operation
  - Adaptable to climate change
  - Numerous environmental benefits
11. Schedule Milestones:
  - Next 18 months; deliverables for Prop 1
  - Start construction in 2023
  - Begin operation in 2030