



## BOARD MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** October 10, 2022

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Courtney Mael, P.E., Chief Engineer *CM*  
Keith Abercrombie, Chief Operating Officer *KA*

**SUBJECT:** October 6, 2022 Engineering and Operations Committee Meeting Report

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The Engineering and Operations Committee met at 5:30 PM on Thursday, October 6, 2022 in the Summit Circle Engineering Services Section Boardroom located at 26521 Summit Circle. In attendance were Committee Chair William Cooper, and Directors Jeff Ford, Gary Martin, Piotr Orzechowski, Kenneth Petersen and Lynne Plambeck. Staff members present were Chief Engineer Courtney Mael; Chief Operating Officer Keith Abercrombie; Director of Operations and Maintenance Mike Alvord; Engineers Mark Aumentado and Yoganathan Thierumaran; Executive Assistants Elizabeth Adler and Leticia Quintero; Water Systems Supervisor Ryan Bye and additional SCV Water Agency staff. General Counsel Thomas Bunn from Lagerlof and 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: Recommend Approval of Technical Revision to the Board of Directors Policies and Procedures Regarding General Manager Authority to Transfer Easements** – The Committee and General Counsel discussed the technical revision and the Committee recommended the item be placed on the Consent Calendar at the October 18, 2022 regular Board meeting.

**Item 4: Recommend Approval of a Contract to Conduct a Pilot-Scale Evaluation of Four Alternative Adsorbents for PFAS Removal from SCVWA Groundwater** – The Committee and staff discussed the current resin bed life, resin cost and the proposed pilot study unit. The Committee recommended the item be placed on the Consent Calendar at the October 18, 2022 regular Board meeting.

**Item 5: Recommend Approval of a Resolution for a Construction Contract with Paso Robles Tank for the Newhall Tanks 1 and 1 A – Tank Upgrades Project** – The Committee and staff discussed the proposed design concept and replacement of existing ladders to improve staff safety and to ensure structural integrity of the tank. The Committee recommended the item be placed on the Consent Calendar at the November 01, 2022 regular Board meeting.

**Item 6: Monthly Operations and Production Report** – Staff and the Committee reviewed the Operations and Production Report.

**Item 7: Capital Improvement Projects Construction Status Report** – Staff and the Committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Projects Construction Status Report.

**Item 8: Committee Planning Calendar** – Staff and the Committee reviewed FY 2022/23 Committee Planning Calendar.

**Item 9: General Report on Treatment, Distribution, Operations and Maintenance Services Section Activities** – Keith Abercrombie updated the Committee on the current AMI replacement project and the recruitment for the five open positions in Operations. Keith also informed the Committee of the Incident Command System training that staff recently participated in and the steps that are being taken with DDW because of the recent turbidity concerns.

**Item 10: General Report on Engineering Services Section Activities** – Courtney Mael introduced to the Committee the newest Engineer, Mark Aumentado and updated the Committee on the recruitment of an additional Engineer to start in the near future. Staff shared with the Committee a presentation on the Agency's new meter standard operating procedure.

**Item 11: Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

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Attachment

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**Date:** September 27, 2022

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

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

The **Engineering and Operations Committee** meeting is scheduled on **Thursday, October 6, 2022 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: 160 114 3835 or Zoom Webinar by clicking on the link <https://scvwa.zoomgov.com/j/1601143835>**. 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.

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## MEETING AGENDA

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1.	<b><u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u></b>	
2.	<b><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b> – 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 Committee Chair, be limited to three minutes for each speaker.)	
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Posted on September 29, 2022.

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