



**PROJECTS & FACILITY OPERATIONS  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Water Resources Center  
500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville, California 95076

**Wednesday October 25, 2017, 3:00 p.m.**

<b>Committee Members</b>	
<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Rosemarie Imazio, Director	Dale Huss, Chair
Amy Newell, Director	Dave Cavanaugh, Director, Vice Chair
Warren Koenig	Frank Capurro
Sam Cooley	
<b>Staff &amp; Other Attendees</b>	
Brian Lockwood (GM) General Manager	Shinehah Bigham (WSO) Water System Operator
Casey Meusel (AH) Associate Hydrologist	Beau Kayser
Judy St. George	Lauren Valk Wills, General Counsel (by phone)
Alan Lilly, Special Counsel (by phone)	

- 1. Welcome and Introductions.** Director Imazio called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.
- 2. Public and Member comments.** None.
- 3. Consider Approval of prior Projects and Facility Operations Committee Meeting Minutes.** Director Newell moved approval of the September 27, 2017 meeting minutes; Mr. Cooley seconded. The Committee approved the minutes of the September 27, 2017 meeting.
- 4. Receive Projects and Programs Update.**
  - a. Recycled Water Storage and Pump Station Improvements Project.** GM Lockwood provided an update on the construction of the new 1.5 million gallon recycled water storage tank and the distribution pump station (DPS) improvements. Substantial completion of the project was reached earlier in the year and the contractor continues to work through remaining "punch list" items, including the installation of turnkeys to operate the newly installed isolation valves.

- b. Basin Management Plan Implementation.** GM Lockwood provided an update on the Basin Management Plan (BMP) Implementation effort. The BMP Implementation Team continues to work with property owners to obtain site access agreements and is preparing to issue a Notice of Preparation for the proposed College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project (Project). Two CEQA scoping meetings for the Project are planned for December 12<sup>th</sup> to solicit community input. The cone penetrometer testing (CPT) geotechnical work associated with the BMP projects is scheduled to begin next week. Special Counsel Alan Lilly, provided a summary of a 1958 State water-right filing for the Pajaro River and the potential benefits to the Agency to file a petition for partial assignment of this filing, and as a backup, to file a request for release from the priority of this filing. Following roundtable discussion, the Committee recommended staff file a petition for partial assignment of this filing and file a request for release from the priority of this filing.
      - c. Other Projects / Concepts.** GM Lockwood informed the Committee that improvements to the Harvest Drive Properties LLC. production well commenced. PV Water and City of Watsonville staff verified flow direction to the treatment plant with a dye test and will coordinate operation of the well to ensure the upstream blend water is processed through the recycled water facility. GM Lockwood introduced a new project concept for discussion to the committee, the City of Watsonville Corralitos Creek Filter Plant Improvement Project. The City of Watsonville was awarded a \$3 million dollar grant through Proposition 84 to help fund the project. Due to a reduction in the grant from the original award and project bids being substantially more than the engineer's estimate, the City of Watsonville is contemplating whether to proceed with the project. The proposed filter plant improvements are expected to yield an additional 500 acre-feet of treated surface water for potable use from Corralitos and Browns Creeks. The planning, environmental review, and water rights associated with the project are complete; the issue that remains is funding. The Agency is in discussions with City staff to determine what sort of role the Agency may be able serve in the project and to what extent.
- 5. Receive Facility Operations Report.** GM Lockwood and WSO Bigham provided an update on recent system operations. Year to date 3,568 acre-feet of supplemental water consisting of 63% (2,248 acre-feet) recycled water has been provided to Delivered Water Service customers. WSO Bigham noted that there has been a slight increase recently in system demand due to a recent heat wave.
- 6. Discuss Providing Guidance to Staff Regarding Delivered Water Service Area Expansion Requests.** GM Lockwood provided a brief overview of this recurring agenda item. At the September meeting, the committee requested that staff provide a report detailing the delivered water service area expansion requests. WSO Bigham prepared a memo for the committee to review and discuss at a future meeting that details the interested parties and service line design specifications.
- 7. Receive Quarterly Water Quality Update.** AH Meusel provided an update on the water quality of system supply sources and the supplemental water for the third quarter of 2017. In the third quarter, 1,663 acre-feet of supplemental water was delivered to customers with an average concentration of 106 mg/L of chloride, 8 mg/L of nitrate as nitrogen, 2.93 SAR, 114 mg/L of sodium, 1.03 millimhos/cm specific conductance, and TDS of 602 mg/L.
- 8. Discuss Future Facilities and Project Operations Committee Agenda Items.** GM Lockwood suggested that due to timing conflicts of the November and December Project and Facility

Operations Committee meetings with PV Water staff obligations that the two meetings be consolidated into a single meeting in early December on the 6<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>. The Committee supported the idea and an email will be sent to members to determine which date is most suitable. At the next meeting, the committee is required to provide a list of suggested Project and Facility Operations Committee members to serve in 2018 to the Board of Directors per the committee bylaws. Committee Chair Huss is planning to step down after the next meeting and Committee members voiced support for a request that the Board of Directors adopt a resolution of appreciation for his committed service.

**9. Next Meeting:** Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 3:00 p.m.

**10. Meeting Adjourned at 4:24 p.m.**