



**PROJECTS & FACILITY OPERATIONS  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Water Resources Center  
500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville, California 95076

**Wednesday December 12, 2018, 3:00 p.m.**

<b>Committee Members</b>	
<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Sam Cooley, Vice Chair	Vacant Seat
Mary Bannister, Director	
Tom Broz, Director	
Bob Culbertson, Director	
Frank Capurro	
Warren Koenig	
<b>Staff &amp; Other Attendees</b>	
Chuy Martinez, Water System Operations Supervisor (WSOS)	Casey Meusel, Associate Hydrologist (AH)
Brian Lockwood, General Manager (GM)	Amy Newell, Director
Paul Friedlander, Carollo Engineers	Drew Hart, Carollo Engineers
Beau Kayser, City of Watsonville	Danielle Green, City of Watsonville

- 1. Welcome and Introductions.** Vice Chair Cooley called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
- 2. Public and Member comments.** None.
- 3. Review Committee Membership and Make Recommendations to the Board of Directors for 2019.** GM Lockwood provided a brief review of Committee membership bylaws and current membership including the newly assigned director members. Director Bannister moved approval of a recommendation to the Board of Directors (Board) that Rosemarie Imazio fill the vacant Inside Delivered Water Zone Grower seat and current membership be retained for 2019; Director Culbertson seconded. The Committee approved the recommendation.
- 4. Consider Approval of prior Projects and Facility Operations Committee Meeting Minutes.** Mr. Koenig moved approval of the September 26, 2018 meeting minutes; Vice Chair Cooley seconded. The Committee approved the minutes of the September 26, 2018 meeting.

**5. Receive Projects and Programs Update.**

- a. Proposed College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project.** GM Lockwood reported that the Basin Management Plan Implementation team continues to work on development of the Draft Environmental Impact Report, which is expected to be available for public review this spring. Mr. Friedlander summarized recent changes in the proposed solids disposal associated with the project and was followed by a roundtable discussion on solids disposal practices. GM Lockwood reported that the Administration and Finance Committee reviewed a scope of work from cbec inc. to continue hydrologic monitoring support activities in the College Lake area and recommended the Board consider it for approval.
- b. Proposed Slough Projects with Recharge Basins.** GM Lockwood summarized field data collection activities for the Recharge Basin Hydrogeologic Investigation and informed the Committee that the final report is now complete and that staff are in discussions with a consultant to perform modeling analysis of the proposed basins. GM Lockwood also reported that the Administration and Finance Committee reviewed a proposed scope of work from Balance Hydrologics, Inc. to continue hydrologic monitoring support activities in the Watsonville Sloughs area and recommended the Board consider it for approval. Mr. Friedlander provided an overview of the layout of the proposed project pipeline.
- c. Recycled Water Facility Improvement Project.** GM Lockwood reported that the Board and Watsonville City Council recently approved agreements for the operation, maintenance, and repairs of the disk filter plant upgrade project. The call for bids associated with the project was announced on November 28<sup>th</sup> and a pre-bid meeting was held this morning. Mr. Friedlander provided a brief summary of the pre-bid meeting. The project contract is anticipated to go before the Board for consideration in February.
- d. Potential Coast Distribution System Expansion.** GM Lockwood provided a brief overview of the existing Coastal Distribution System (CDS) layout and proposed future pipelines. He reported that \$3 million may become available from an Integrated Regional Water Management grant to support the construction of a portion of future CDS lines. After a roundtable discussion, the Committee directed GM Lockwood to pursue the grant funds for expansion of the CDS and that a scientifically based method be used to determine which lines are built based on overall benefit to the groundwater basin. Additionally, the Committee requested that staff consider potential priority methodologies to address an increase in customer demand on existing supplemental water supplies.

**6. Receive Facility Operations Report.** WSOS Martinez reported that year-to-date staff has delivered 4,785 acre-feet of supplemental water of which 3,176 acre-feet or 66% was recycled water. Distribution system operations during the peak of the 2018 growing season were limited to 18 hours per day versus the 24 hour operation experienced in prior years due to the flexibility the new storage tank allows to meet demand. The annual maintenance shutdown of the recycled water facility is planned to occur in January and will last approximately two weeks.

**7. Receive Water Quality Quarterly Report.** AH Meusel presented the 2018 Q3 water quality results to the Committee; tables and graphs summarizing the results are included in the agenda packet.

**8. Discuss Future Agenda Items.** GM Lockwood recommended that item 5.d., “Potential Coastal Distribution System Expansion,” and the Water Users Handbook be included on future agendas.

**9. Next Meeting:** Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at 3:00 p.m.

**10. Meeting Adjourned at 4:15 p.m.**