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Agenda - Orestimba Creek Mtg.

8:30 – 9:30 am

July 8, 2021

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1. Landowner Outreach:

- a. Well sites and/or pipeline routes
 - i. Test holes- permits, schedule- (Ben)
 - ii. Water quality samples update (Adam)-Schedule
 - iii. Update on meetings with landowners
- b. Other items – discuss with Ken Schmidt and/or Cerruti for well depth to water measurements on well east of Eastin north of mid-section line T07SR08E – 14E1 (good longterm records) Would also be interested in WQ from that well.

2. Report from P&P activities-(Rick)

- a. Initial Environmental work.
 - i. Cultural and Biological Survey update from July 1st.
 - ii. Geo Tech – On standby until Section 106 is complete
- b. Design update
 - i. OC Creek Turnout - update
 - ii. Potholing to determine depth of pipes- Utilities alert coordination
- c. Other issues

3. Grants update- (All)

- a. Prop 1 Storm Water Grant, IWRMP Grant- Update
 - i. Work items- follow up from 6/22 call with SWRCB, revisions were sent last week.
 - ii. Other items

4. Other Items

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Anthea Hansen, General Manager, Del Puerto Water District
FROM: Andy Neal
DATE: June 28, 2021
RE: Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Progress Update for July 2021 Board Meeting

Ms. Hansen:

Below is a summary of our progress on the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir project.

Project Goals:

- 1) Design, permit, and construct an 82,000 AF south-of-delta reservoir to provide locally-owned and controlled water storage for agricultural and west-side communities water supply.
- 2) Seek to obtain up to 25% federal cost share through the Water Infrastructure Improvements in the Nation (WIIN) Act. A proportional share of the project benefits are the federal benefits.

Feasibility Report

As has been reported the past two months, we are continuing to wait for a response confirming our position that the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir project is under construction, consistent with the requirements in section 4013(2) cited per criteria in section 4011f(2). Our project manager at USBR, Allison Jacobson, has indicated that the letter has been reviewed and there are no objections to our position.

Environmental

We have been responding to questions from an EPA reviewer regarding public outreach during the EIR process as well as short-term employment likely to be generated from the project. Our team developed a memo, primarily drawn from the Final EIR, to respond to these questions. This memo was delivered through USBR.

Separately, we've continued our work with Ramon Abersturi of USCAE to determine, of the waters currently identified as federally jurisdictional in the Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination (PJD), which features should be identified as excluded per the new 2020 Navigable Waters Protection Rule. The USACE would like to do an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) so that in the event of future regulatory changes over the life of this project, those changes can be addressed by an administrative action to the AJD instead of having to reissue a new Jurisdictional Determination altogether.

Lastly, we're working on the Administrative Draft Biological Assessment. We've developed a revised schedule to have the draft completed by mid-October and the Final BA submitted in January 2022. USFWS won't start formal consultation until the final BA is submitted which will last for a period of 90 days. We expect that the final Biological Opinion will be completed by June 2022.

Operations Modeling



Our project partner, MBK, has modeled a low bookend scenario within the existing modeling already done to date for DPCR in CalSim. Because this modeling is captured within our existing EIS modeling. Our team has not received any further questions about the latest modeling deliverable.

Financial Assistance Agreement

Unfortunately, we remain in a waiting period to hear from our latest response to comments from Leanne Henderson at Reclamation with more information requested to finalize the FAA. The revised FAA adds new WIIN funding with previous allocations to maximize the distribution of funds and accelerate the release as much as possible.

Public Outreach

No new outreach work to report.

Political Outreach and Project Financing

To demonstrate that DPCR qualifies for the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP), we drafted a screening form describing the projects and its benefits under the Program. We have been working with representatives from the California Water Commission to gain input into the process.

Design/Engineering Procurement

We have revised our Request for Qualifications (RFQ) based on a legal review and are putting together the finishing touches on a release plan to advertise for firms interested in performing the final dam design. We are going to follow a RFQ, then Request for Proposal (RFP) process in order to understand qualifications of potential teams and screen down the most qualified firms to receive a RFP which will require a much more detailed response package. The RFQ is expected to be released in late June. Similar RFQs and RFPs will be developed for the road and Technical Review Board.

New Road Alignment

No new road alignment work to report.

Utility Relocation

Our team meets with PG&E and WAPA representatives weekly on Tuesdays. Stantec (PG&E design consultant) is starting up their design and will be focused on using the space between the dam and the freeway to maximize the project footprint. We are coordinating the work with WAPA to make sure we understand and incorporate any impacts to the San Luis Transmission Project, particularly as it relates to their approved environmental documents.

Programmatic

- 1) Weekly client meetings
- 2) Weekly Reclamation meetings
- 3) Weekly internal team meetings
- 4) Refined the schedule to identify critical path activities
- 5) Submitted April invoice and drafted May invoice

**Request for Qualifications (RFQ)
for
Professional Engineering Services for the Design of Earthen Dams**

Issued: July 1, 2021

Deadline for Submission: August 17, 2021 4:00 PM PDT

1. Introduction

Del Puerto Water District (DPWD) and the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (Exchange Contractors) (jointly, Partners) are requesting statements of qualifications (SOQs) from firms interested in providing professional engineering services for the design and related services for an earthen dam, two saddle dams, and the appurtenant structures and facilities. The Partners will be utilizing a two-step procurement approach – qualified firms are invited to submit a statement of qualifications (SOQ), and if short-listed, will be invited to submit a full proposal during the Request for Proposal (RFP) phase.

The proposed Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir (DPCR) Program involves the construction and operation of a reservoir on Del Puerto Creek in Stanislaus County to provide approximately 82,000 acre-feet (AF) of new off-stream storage. The reservoir will be located in the Diablo Range foothills in western Stanislaus County, California, west of Interstate-5. The proposed facilities will provide locally owned and controlled storage for the Project Partners and other potential project beneficiaries served by the Central Valley Project. Water would be stored in the reservoir when supply is available from the Delta-Mendota Canal (DMC) and delivered to farms within the region in San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno, and Madera Counties, as well as for environmental uses.

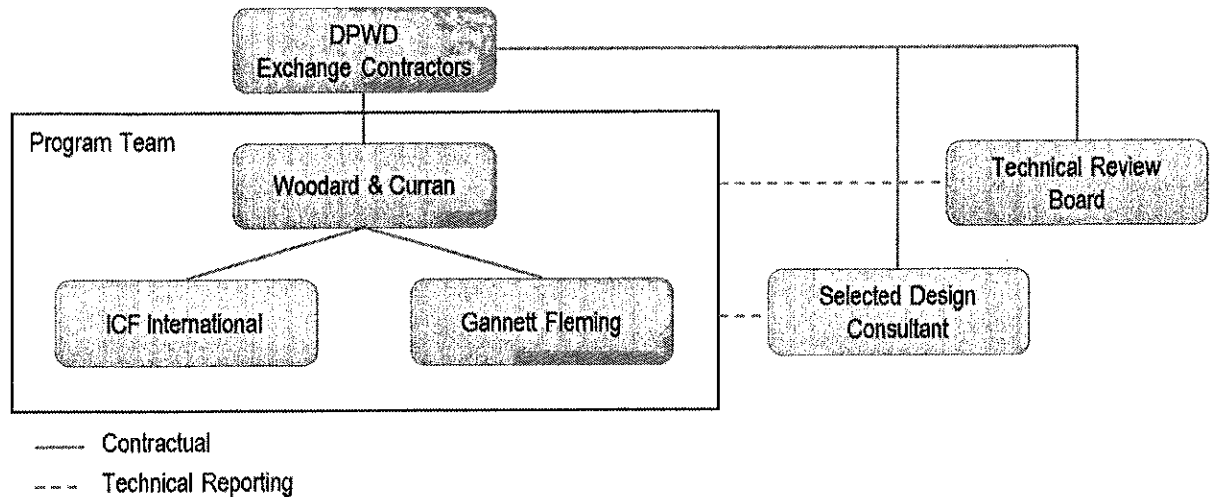
The proposed Program facilities consist of a reservoir plus the facilities needed to convey water between the DMC and the reservoir. The overall DPCR Program includes the following components:

1. Main Zoned Earthfill Embankment dam;
2. One large Zoned Earthfill Embankment saddle dam;
3. One small Earthfill Embankment saddle dam;
4. Concrete-lined spillway;
5. Inlet/outlet works at the reservoir including a gated inlet-outlet structure, conduit, and bifurcation structure;
6. Conveyance between the bifurcation structure and the DMC, including a pipeline and pump station;
7. Utility relocations; and
8. Roadway relocations.

This RFQ is focused on the design of items 1 through 5 in the list above (the Project), with items 6 through 8 being designed by others. Additional information about the proposed project may be found in the EIR at <https://www.delpuertocanyonreservoir.com/resources#final-EIR>.

2. Program Structure

The Program is being jointly managed by DPWD and the Exchange Contractors, with support from a Program Management Team comprised of Woodard & Curran, Gannett Fleming, and ICF International. The selected design firm would be managed by the Program Management Team and contracted directly with DPWD. Third-party oversight of the work developed by the selected design firm for dam and related facilities will be provided by an independent Technical Review Board (TRB). The following figure generally depicts the organization chart.



Del Puerto Water District

The Del Puerto Water District (DPWD), based in Patterson and spanning San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Merced counties, provides water to 45,000 acres of farmland adjacent to the Delta-Mendota Canal.

The San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority

The San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority consists of four local water agencies – Central California Irrigation District, San Luis Canal Company, Firebaugh Canal Water District, and the Columbia Canal Company. These four agencies collectively serve 240,000 acres of farmland west of the San Joaquin River, from near Patterson in the north to Mendota in the south.

Program Management Team

Woodard & Curran is providing strategic support for DPWD and the Exchange Contractors on a programmatic level and is responsible for the design of conveyance structures between the dam and the Delta-Mendota Canal.

Gannett Fleming is responsible for technical oversight of the selected dam design consultant. Gannett Fleming has performed initial dam design validation support, including conceptual facility layout, preliminary geotechnical investigation and other technical analyses as listed below in Section 3.0.

ICF International provides environmental, permitting, and initial road relocation support.

Technical Review Board

The Technical Review Board is envisioned to provide independent, third-party oversight for dam design work. Yet to be formed, the Technical Review Board will consist of several subject matter experts from the engineering community who will meet periodically to review design materials and provide critical feedback to the selected consultant and the Program.

3. Work Performed to Date

Work on the Program began in 2019 with the initiation of Program facility validation and CEQA building on the 2016 Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Phase 1 Feasibility Assessment prepared by AECOM (AECOM, 2016. Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Phase 1 Feasibility Assessment, DRAFT). The Final EIR was published in October 2020. Preliminary design of the conveyance components from the dam to the Delta-Mendota Canal was also completed, and conceptual design for the dam and outlet works was completed. Additional technical documents will be made available to firms invited to submit proposals.

4. Preliminary Scope of Work

Implementation of the Project will require multi-disciplinary expertise for engineering services, including but not necessarily limited to, geotechnical and subsurface investigations, laboratory testing, operational planning, engineering design, permitting, bidding, construction management, and inspection services. This RFQ does not fully describe the work envisioned for designing the dam and related appurtenant facilities. The information contained in this RFQ is designed to give interested firms a basic understanding of the Project Partner's current needs to craft a qualified team that can successfully fulfill those needs. A more detailed scope of work will be provided to the selected short-listed firms during the RFP process.

Potential components of the work may include the following items:

- Program coordination elements, including progress, budget and schedule updates.
- Obtaining and reviewing previously collected information and data.
- Coordinating with the Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) and securing required DSOD approvals through construction
- Developing a field exploration and laboratory testing plan acceptable to DSOD, including identifying parcels for which the Program will need to acquire access agreements and permissions.
- Conducting field and other investigations including, but not limited to, permitting for field investigations, borrow areas planning and investigations, sedimentation and seepage analyses, assessments of ground surface rupture and permanent ground deformation, landslide identification and mitigation, reservoir rim stability analysis, supplemental topographical mapping, and geotechnical borings and other subsurface explorations and laboratory testing for dam foundations/abutments and borrow sites
- Preparing geotechnical reports, such as geotechnical data reports, geotechnical interpretive reports, and other technical reports needed to complete the engineering design, and obtain project acceptance by the DSOD.
- Performing engineering analyses to provide design compatibility with work designed by others, such as the conveyance facilities and utility relocations.
- Preparing plans and specifications for construction of the main dam, 2 saddle dams, concrete-lined spillway, energy dissipation structure, bifurcation structure, inlet/outlet tunnel, dam facilities

power supply, dam facilities communications/controls and instrumentation, security, and related, required facilities.

- Preparing plans and specifications for the connection to the pipelines and inlet/outlet structures downstream of the bifurcation structure
- Preparing plans and specifications for installation of instrumentation and associated electrical power.
- Identifying and designing access roadways to all points that will require permanent access.
- Coordinating with the Program and Technical Review Board.
- Preparing construction cost estimates and schedules.
- Providing bid period services such as addendum preparation.
- Providing engineering support during construction.

Elements of the Program that are not currently envisioned to be part of the work under a Dam Facilities design agreement include the following items:

- Environmental Planning & Permitting: selected consultant would be required to coordinate investigation plans with the Program.
- Land access: selected consultant would be required to identify areas for access, but the Program will coordinate and obtain necessary access rights.
- Land acquisition.
- Conveyance facilities east of the bifurcation structure: selected consultant will be required to coordinate and collaborate with the conveyance design team.
- Project financing: selected consultant may be required to provide technical information in support of securing project financing, but the Program will be responsible for identifying and securing financing for project development and implementation.
- Water rights
- Road relocation.
- Utility relocations: selected consultant may be required to coordinate and collaborate with the utility relocation team(s), but the Program will be responsible for managing the utility owners and their design of the relocations.

Work is expected to be authorized in a series of task orders, e.g. development of exploration program, preliminary design, then final design, etc. The design consultant will be responsible for working with the Project Partners to develop task orders that advance the work and are compatible with cash flow requirements of the Program. It is anticipated that design work under the agreement will run through 2030. Substantive construction of the dam facilities will begin following completion of design and is estimated to take 4 years from commencement.

The Project Partners will reserve the ability to issue RFPs for subsequent work if necessary to achieve project goals.

5. Statement of Qualifications Format & Content

When preparing the SOQ, firms should view this as an opportunity to demonstrate the capability and experience of their team, recognizing that the scope of work provided in this SOQ is very general. The Project Partners understand that much more detail will be provided during the RFP phase of this project. The SOQ shall contain the sections listed below and shall respond fully to all requirements of the RFQ. The SOQ is limited to 20 single-sided 8.5x11 pages, not including a cover page, resumes, and org chart,

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with a minimum 12pt font size. Submittals which do not address the items in this section may be considered incomplete and may be deemed non-responsive.

1. Cover Letter: Provide a cover letter signed by a Consultant representative authorized by their firm to enter into an agreement for services similar to those requested here.
 2. Firm Background: Provide firm name, address, type of business, and length of time in this type of business, principal contact person with email and phone number. Prime consultant and any key sub-consultants roles and responsibilities should be clearly identified and described. Describe design philosophy and approach of firm and areas of expertise.
 3. Project Management Approach: Describe proposed approach to tracking and managing project budgets, schedule, and communication with the Partners and Program Management Team.
 4. Technical Development: Provide a brief commentary on the breadth of work performed to date and proposed work items included in the "Preliminary Scope of Work" section. Respondents should consider this an opportunity to provide input on the scope of work to be included in an RFP.
 5. Project Team: Identify key individuals proposed to work on the project, including the Project Manager. Include an organization chart that identifies the key subject matter experts that Respondent proposes to lead the technical areas listed in this SOQ and others that the Respondent deems critical to success of the project. Licensed professionals are required for all respective disciplines to successfully execute the scope. Include resumes of all key project team members and subconsultant personnel in an appendix to the SOQ. Identify the office where the key project team members are located. The Project Proponents understand that the project team may change upon review of the RFP, but it is expected that the Project Manager and key technical personnel identified by the Respondent will remain consistent between RFQ and RFP. If the Project Manager or other key personnel requires changing, the Respondent shall state why and offer a similarly qualified individual as the replacement. The Project Proponents may deem a Respondent's proposal non-responsive if key project team members are changed without justification.
 6. Experience and Qualifications: Describe the key team individual qualifications for conducting the work specifically expected under this contract. Include information regarding specific relevant experience in successfully completing projects with scope and complexity similar to the Partners proposed project. For each key individual, provide a brief description of two projects where that person performed services with similar scope, complexity, and size of the DPCR project including being regulated by DSOD. For each of the two projects referenced, provide the dates when the service was provided, project costs, the client organization, primary client contact, name, email address, and telephone number.
 7. Resume: Resumes of key project team individuals may be attached and do not count toward the page limit.
6. **Statement of Qualifications Evaluation and Subsequent Request for Proposals Process**

Responses to this RFQ will be evaluated and ranked by a Review Committee consisting of Partner staff and the Program Management Team. Evaluation will be based on the following criteria (100 points total):

1. Cover Letter (Pass/Fail)

2. Firm Background (10 pts)
3. Project Management Approach (10 pts)
4. Technical Development Input (10 pts)
5. Project Manager (10 pts)
6. Personnel, Experience, and Qualifications (60 pts)

Section 1 of the SOQ will be evaluated on pass/fail basis. Failure to achieve a pass rating on this component may result in the SOQ being declared non-responsive and the firm being dropped from further consideration. The scoring for Sections 2 through 6 is defined above. For minimum requirements Sections 5 and 6, respondent shall identify if the Project Manager or key personnel are a leased or contracted employee or employed with a subconsultant/contractor.

Evaluation scores will be tallied and the top up to three (3) firms are expected to be invited to submit a full proposal. Oral interviews will be scheduled after the proposal due date.

7. Contractual Requirements

A sample contract will be provided with RFP solicitation.

8. SOQ Proposal Schedule

Release RFQ	July 1, 2021
Pre-SOQ virtual meeting	July 27, 2021
Questions Due	August 3, 2021
SOQ Due	August 17, 2021 4 PM PDT
Release RFP to shortlisted Firms	September 2021
Full proposals due	October 2021
Interviews	November 2021
Selected Firm notified	November 2021
Notice to Proceed	January 2022

The Partners reserve the right to delay scheduled dates if determined to be in the best interest of the Program. Any changes, delays, or addenda related to this RFQ will be sent to all solicited firms.

9. List of Available Resource Documents and Data

The following relevant documents are available on the Project's website at <https://www.delpuertocanyonreservoir.com/>

- Final Environmental Impact Report
- Project Fact Sheet
- Scoping Meeting Exhibits
- December 2019 Community Workshop presentation

Some of the referenced documents may not reflect the latest technical information for the project, but essential features are represented.

10. Submission and Inquiries

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Submit one (1) electronic copy PDF copy of your Statement of Qualifications to Andy Neal, Program Manager at aneal@woodardcurran.com. If the PDF file is larger than 10MB, please send a link where the file can be accessed.

Statement of Qualifications must be received by 4:00pm PDT August 17, 2021.

Please email questions regarding this project to Andy Neal at aneal@woodardcurran.com. All questions must be received by August 3, 2021. Inquiries that require a response in an addendum to the RFQ will be posted on the project website.

The Project Partners appreciate your interest in this important work.

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Anthea Hansen

From: Steve Welch <swelch@ccwater.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 8, 2021 3:56 PM
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Subject: Congressional Support for Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project
Attachments: 06.30.21 LV Letter to Speaker Pelosi.pdf

Dear Partners,

Attached is a letter from nine members of congress to Speaker Pelosi requesting that the Phase 2 Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project be given the highest level of funding support in the infrastructure bill. This letter is the outcome of the joint virtual meetings we held with elected officials earlier this year, and shows the strong political support we have for the project. I want to thank each of you for your participation and support. We are optimistic that the project will receive additional federal appropriations this year and will continue to keep you apprised of new developments.

We look forward to continued collaboration as the project builds momentum and our regional partnerships strengthen.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Welch

General Manager

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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

June 30, 2021

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
H-232, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Speaker,

California is currently facing another devastatingly dry water year. As the House drafts the upcoming infrastructure bill, we believe it is critical to include an important water supply and delivery project that could provide much needed water security to many agencies in northern California. We support including funding for the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project (LVE) in the infrastructure package. LVE is a model project that enjoys broad, bipartisan support of a diverse set of stakeholders, including urban water agencies, the business community, waterfowl organizations, State and Central Valley Project contractors, and national conservation groups. The infrastructure package provides a unique opportunity for Congress to provide the federal investment needed to satisfy the cost sharing requirements that will unlock an even larger investment by the State of California in this project.

The LVE Project includes the construction of water storage and water conveyance facilities. This project provides federal benefits including dedicated water supplies to secure "Incremental Level 4" refuge water supplies to meet the needs of federal, state, and privately managed refuges and wetland areas. LVE also increases water supply reliability various municipal and industrial water providers and irrigation districts.

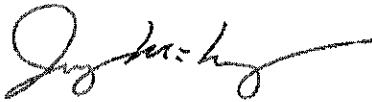
Last year, after decades of studies, Congress provided construction funds to begin building LVE. The Bureau of Reclamation has completed the necessary environmental reviews and issued the Final Federal Feasibility Report in August 2020. The report recommended full project implementation and the maximum 25% federal investment authorized under the WIIN Act or \$223 million. According to the LVE Program Manager, the Contra Costa Water District, securing the remainder of authorized federal funding to fully implement the LVE Project in the near term will enable the final award of \$470 million in state Proposition 1 funding through the California Water Commission. A total of \$211 million remains to be appropriated to capture the full 25% federal cost-share. Without this federal funding commitment, full Proposition 1 funding cannot be secured.

We respectfully ask that you give the Phase 2 Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project the highest level of funding support in the infrastructure bill. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress



JERRY MCNERNEY
Member of Congress



JARED HUFFMAN
Member of Congress



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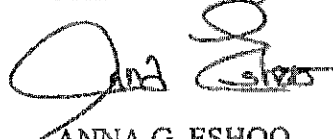
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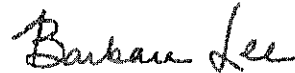
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MONTHLY REPORT

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JUNE 29, 2021

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

July 2 – Local Agency Partner (LAP) Comments due on the Draft Letter of Support

July 16 – LAP Comments due on the Draft Multi-party Agreement (MPA) Amendment No. 3

August 18 – CCWD Authorize MPA Amendment No. 3

UPCOMING LAP BOARD COORDINATION

June 30 – Valley Water Storage Committee

August TBD – LAP Board meetings to consider approval of the JPA Agreement

August – October TBD – LAP Board meetings to consider appointment of Director and Alternate to the JPA Board of Directors

August – November TBD – LAP Board meetings to consider approval of MPA Amendment No. 3

ADDITIONAL PROJECT INFO

<https://www.ccwater.com/lvstudies>

<https://www.usbr.gov/mp/vaqueros/>

<https://cwc.ca.gov/Water-Storage/WSIP-Project-Review-Portal/All-Projects/Los-Vaqueros-Reservoir-Expansion-Project>

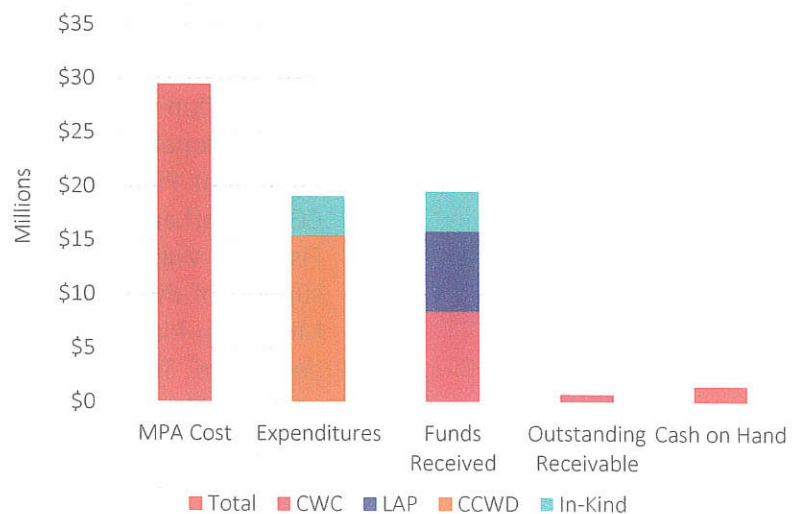
FUNDING

CCWD is working with Reclamation to develop an assistance agreement for a portion of the federal funding that will be administered by CCWD for preconstruction activities. It is anticipated that the agreement will include approximately \$7 million of federal funding for the Project. The current Federal funding request includes the remainder of the full federal share of 25 percent of the total project cost (approximately \$211 million). Subsequent agreements would be needed to fund construction.

CCWD provided the draft of Amendment No. 3 to the Multi-party Cost Share Agreement (MPA) to extend the termination date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022, and allocate cost share for activities in 2022. The MPA is intended to be replaced with an Interim Funding Agreement through the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority (JPA) once the JPA has been formed and is ready to assume LVE financial management responsibilities. A workshop with the LAPs was held June 23 to review schedule, assumptions and cost estimates for the proposed amendment. Comments on Amendment No. 3 are requested by July 2.

The following chart provides an overview of the MPA expenditures to date. The in-kind services, funds received, outstanding receivable, and cash on hand are shown through June 22, 2021. All LAPs remain in good standing on progress payments. The next invoice will be sent to the LAPs in July 2021. If MPA Amendment No. 3 is approved, the subsequent invoice would be sent in January 2022.

Multi-Party Agreement Summary To Date



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JPA FORMATION

The Legal Work Group met on June 24 to continue revisions the terms of the JPA Agreement. The next legal workgroup call is scheduled for July 12 to review version 14 of the JPA Agreement. The target date for completion of the final form of the JPA Agreement is prior to July 31, 2021. The current schedule assumes the LAP Boards would consider approval of the JPA Agreement in August 2021. LAP Boards have the option of appointing their Director and Alternate to the JPA Board of Directors at the same meeting, or at a future meeting held within 30 days of the effective date of the JPA Agreement.

CWC FEASIBILITY HEARING

All seven storage projects that received a conditional eligibility award from the California Water Commission (CWC) must meet three criteria prior to January 1, 2022 to remain eligible for funding: 1) draft environmental documents must be complete, 2) the CWC must make a finding that the project is feasible, and will advance the long-term objectives of restoring ecological health and improving water management for beneficial uses of the Delta, and 3) the Director of the Department of Water Resources must receive a letter demonstrating support for not less than 75 percent of the non-public benefit cost share of the project (joint support letter). The joint support letter is being reviewed by LAPs and would replace the previous support letters from CCWD and the LAPs that were submitted to the CWC in 2017. The Phase 2 LVE Project is tentatively scheduled for a CWC Feasibility Hearing on October 20. CCWD staff are closely coordinating with CWC staff to ensure the Project meets the statutory requirements and remains eligible for funding.

PERMITTING

Reclamation is continuing review of the aquatic Biological Assessment (BA). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) is reviewing the terrestrial BA per Section 7 of the Federal Endangered Species Act. A Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act 'take' permit application for the USFWS is being developed. The State Historic Preservation Officer is continuing consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. A Historic Properties Treatment Plan, to support this consultation, is being developed. CCWD staff are preparing a response to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) with additional information required in support of the Incidental Take Permit application. A Compensatory Mitigation Plan to support the USFWS and CDFW permits is being developed. The CDFW Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement package is being developed. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) continue review of their respective permit packages.

The Draft Wetland Mitigation Plan and Restoration and Revegetation Plan, required by the USACE and CVRWQCB, are continuing to be developed.

DESIGN

On June 24, CCWD conducted a technical briefing with LAPs to respond to questions raised during the dam design and construction cost workshop that was held in April. Dam expansion design work and coordination with the California Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) continues, and the 90-percent design (plans and specifications) were submitted to DSOD in June for their review. Transfer-Bethany Pipeline alignment evaluations continued with an assessment of land rights through parcels south of Vasco Road, and CCWD staff obtained additional information from other landowners. Preliminary design of the Turn-in to the California Aqueduct at the Bethany Reservoir continues to progress.

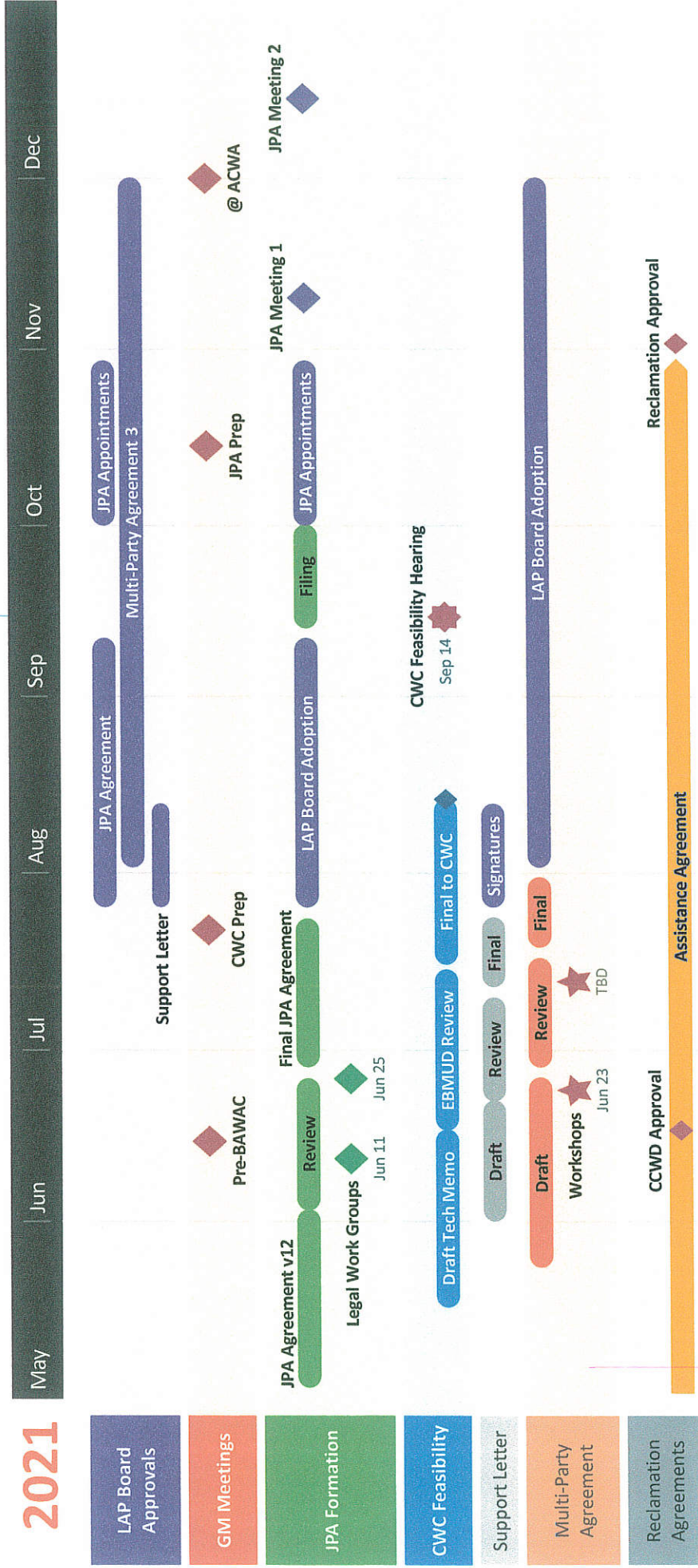
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Phase 2 Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project Near Term Milestones

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California Water Commission Requirements:

- ✓ Maximum Conditional Eligibility Determination (\$470,274,000) – Updated Jan 2021
- ✓ Draft Environmental Documentation – Completed June 2017
- ➔ Determination of Feasibility – CWC Hearing on September 14, 2021
- ➔ Letter of Support (demonstrating support for 75 percent of the non-public benefit cost shares of the project) – prior to CWC Hearing

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