

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (2021-22) and Government Code section 54953 this Meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format with both in-person and virtual public participation.

PRESENT:	Doug Hill	Chair
	Paul Donnelly	Vice Chair
	Robert Nava	Board Member
	Derek Dahlgren	Board Member
ABSENT:	Betsy Gaudette-Cross	Board Member
STAFF:	Greg Kwolek	Public Works Director
	Damaris Hanson	Utility Division Manager
	Dan Heimel	Confluence Engineering Solutions
	Larry Kraemer	Cannon Corporation
	Matt van de Linden	Cannon Corporation
	Annaliese Torres	Rincon Consultants, Inc.
	Kate Ballantyne	SLO County Deputy Director of Public Works

ESTABLISH QUORUM, CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM with all Board members in attendance except for Board member Betsy Gaudette-Cross.

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<https://youtu.be/wQJWe6JSH8g?feature=shared&t=109>

Paul Donnelly commented on his tour of the old wastewater plant and desal plant. Doug Hill and Derek Dahlgren concurred.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period was opened and seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

<https://youtu.be/wQJWe6JSH8g?feature=shared&t=197>

The public comment period was opened and seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 19, 2025, PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING

A-2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 3, 2025, PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD AND HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD SPECIAL JOINT MEETING

A-3 ALLOCATION OF WATER EQUIVALENCY UNITS (WEU) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2025/26

MOTION: Paul Donnelly moved to approve Items A-1 through A-3 on the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Derek Dahlgren and passed 4-0.

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

B-1 RECEIVE WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY RECYCLED WATER PROJECT UPDATE
<https://youtu.be/wQJWe6JSH8g?feature=shared&t=285>

The public comment period was opened and seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

Greg Kwolek introduced the item and Damaris Hanson introduced consultants Dan Heimel from Confluence Engineering Solutions and Larry Kraemer and Matt van der Linden from Cannon Corporation. She noted each item of the update would be presented separately followed by questions from the Board.

ITEM 1: Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Quarter 3 Report for the Water Reclamation Facility Program (WRF Program)

Dan Heimel presented the staff report.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

ITEM 2: Conceptual Design Report (CDR) for the Recycled Water Facilities Project

Larry Kraemer and Matt van der Linden presented the staff report.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

The public comment period was opened and seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

ITEM 3: EIR Addendum #2 for WRF Program

Annaliese Torres from Rincon Consultants, Inc. presented the staff report.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

ITEM 4: Updated Recycled Water Implementation Strategy

Dan Heimel presented the staff report.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

ITEM 5: Proposed professional services agreements/amendments for engineering support for the implementation of the Recycled Water Project

Dan Heimel presented the staff report.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

The public comment period was opened for all items in B-1.

A concerned citizen asked a question regarding the two locations in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and if the amendment eliminated one location or modified it to include more of the west location as it looks like all the test and injection wells are in the west location.

Dan Heimel responded to the question presented in the public comment.

Public comment period was closed.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

MOTIONS FOR B-1 ITEMS:

MOTION - ITEM 2

Robert Nava moved to approve the PWAB endorsement of the City Staff recommendation to City Council. Paul Donnelly seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

MOTION - ITEM 3

Paul Donnelly moved to approve the EIR and to include the comments made prior to the deadline today and at tonight's PWAB meeting, as well as include clarification of the difference between the eastern and western well locations and if will continue to see both locations. Robert Nava seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

MOTION - ITEM 4

Robert Nava moved to approve the recommendation from City staff. Derek Dahlgren seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

MOTION - ITEM 5

Paul Donnelly moved to recommend the City Council do a performance evaluation of consultants before approving contracts. Motion died for lack of a second.

Derek Dahlgren moved to accept staff recommendations. Robert Nava seconded the motion.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

Derek Dahlgren withdrew the motion.

Discussion, comments and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

Greg Kwolek will take Board members' comments to City Council.

B-2 REVIEW OF DRAFT PROPOSED SWP WATER TRANSFER POLICY UPDATE
<https://youtu.be/wQJWe6JSH8g?feature=shared&t=9425>

Greg Kwolek introduced the item, and Damaris Hanson presented the staff report.

Discussion, comments, and questions amongst the Board members and staff.

The public comment period was opened and seeing none, the public comment period was closed.

Greg Kwolek will take Board members' comments to the City Council on June 10th.

C. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
<https://youtu.be/wQJWe6JSH8g?feature=shared&t=10285>

Greg Kwolek noted a discussion regarding glyphosate would be brought to a future meeting.

D. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM. The next Regular Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at 5:30 PM.**

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