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MEETING NOTICE

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WILL BE HELD AT 12:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024 AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 6767 EAST MAIN STREET STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA 95215

Assistance for the Disabled: If you are disabled in any way and need accommodation to participate in the meeting, please contact Administrative Staff at (209) 948-0333 at least 48-hours in advance for assistance so the necessary arrangements can be made.

FOR CONTINUED CONVENIENCE STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE AVAILABLE BY TELECONFERENCE.

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Certification of Posting

I hereby certify that on July 18, 2024 I posted a copy of the foregoing agenda in the outside display case at the District Office, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, California, said time being at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Stockton East Water District (Government Code Section 54954.2). Executed at Stockton, California on July 18, 2024.

Justin M. Hopkins, General Manager Stockton East Water District

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Agenda Item: D-1 Date: 07/23/24

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WAS HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE 6767 EAST MAIN STREET, STOCKTON, CA ON TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024, AT 12:30 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Atkins called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., and Director Watkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Assistant Manager Vega, Finance Director Ram, District Engineer Evensen, Administrative Assistant Rodriguez, Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett. Manager Hopkins was absent.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 07/09/24 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the July 9, 2024 Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Warrants

- a. Fund 68 Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- b. Fund 70 Administration Fund
- c. Fund 71 Water Supply Fund
- d. Fund 91 Vehicle Fund
- e. Fund 94 Municipal & Industrial Fund
- f. Summary
- g. Short Names/Acronym List
- h. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director McGurk inquired on the following expense on page 15, line item 41, Coastline Equipment for Manitex 26101C-26-ton crane truck in the amount of \$420,225. Assistant Manager Vega replied the Manitex will arrive on July 17.

Director Cortopassi inquired where Coastline Equipment is located. Finance Director Ram replied it is in Sacramento.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the July 16, 2024 Warrants, as presented. Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Board Meeting – 07/16/24 Draft Nayes:NoneAbstain:NoneAbsent:None

3. Stockton East Water District – CalPERS Yearly UAL Payment Options Memo Assistant Manager Vega provided the Board with the CalPERS Yearly UAL Payment Options Memo. Assistant Manager Vega reported the yearly UAL payment which relates to CalPERS pension plan for both classic and PEPRA members. Assistant Manager Vega reported staff presents the information to the Board of Directors yearly to inform them of the changes and receive direction concerning which method of payment of the UAL they prefer. Finance Director Ram reported the option of either monthly payments of \$50,199.50 for Classic members for a yearly total of \$602,394 and \$611.92 for PEPRA members for a yearly total of \$7,343.04, or the payment of an annual lump sum payment of \$582,901 for Classic members and \$7,105 for PEPRA members. Finance Director Ram reported the District could choose to pay the lump sum payment and save \$19,493 for Classic members and \$238.04 for PEPRA members. Staff respectfully recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to prepay the UAL portion of the District's Classic plan in an annual lump sum, saving the District \$19,731.04

Director McGurk inquired if the calculation of the money the District is saving includes staff time. Finance Director Ram replied no, it does not include staff time.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the yearly UAL payment coincides with the District's fiscal year. Assistant Manager Vega replied that when the Districts' budget is set, Staff anticipates the amount of the UAL payment per fiscal year and any adjustments are made at the end of the fiscal year.

Director Nakaue inquired what PEPRA stands for. Assistant Manager Vega replied PEPRA stands for Public Employees' Pension Reform Act which addresses the state's pension liabilities. The reform includes changing the retirement formula from 2% at 55 to 2% at 62 for new plan entrants. It also requires employees to pay for their portion of the pension contributions which is not the case for Classic members who were employed before PEPRA was inacted.

A motion was moved and seconded to authorize the General Manager to prepay the UAL portion of the District's Classic plan in lump sum, saving the District \$19,731.04, as presented. <u>Roll Call</u>: Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins Nayes: None Abstain: None

Absent: None

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 07/09/24

Assistant Manager Vega provided a handout of the Water Supply Report for information only that included storage, release, and production data collected from various sources as of midnight last night.

There is 215,396 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 258 cfs. There is 1,971,811 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current releases are set at 1,772 cfs. The

2 Board Meeting – 07/16/24 Draft current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River is set at 401 cfs and release to all water users is set at 1,988 cfs. The District Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is currently processing 50 mgd. North Stockton is currently utilizing 13 mgd. South Stockton is currently using 8 mgd. Cal Water is currently utilizing 24 mgd. The City of Stockton WTP is currently processing 19 mgd.

- 2. Information Items: None
- 3. Report on General Manager Activities
 - a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Assistant Manager Vega reported the repairs on the Peters Pipeline have begun where there is a turnout about 15 feet from the pipeline which was damaged by a grower. This same location was previously repaired. Assistant Manager Vega reported staff will place a flange and a butterfly valve for future pipeline isolation for maintenance.

Assistant Manager Vega reported the roof at the High Service Pump Station has been completed.

Assistant Manager Vega reported staff is investigating the standby generators issues at the Low Lift Pump Station. Assistant Manager Vega reported the Cummins standby generator will be looked at on Wednesday and the CAT standby generator will be looked at on Thursday.

Director McGurk inquired if the CAT standby generator diagnostics is done with a laptop and a disc. Assistant Manager Vega replied the set up might be different and not necessarily a laptop and disc. The District does not have the proper equipment to perform the diagnostics.

Director Nakaue inquired when the generators will be turned off. Assistant Manager Vega replied the water treatment plant has been running on PG&E line power and the standby generators have been turned off. The standby generators are meant to operate when there is PG&E line power disruption.

4. Stockton East Water District Finance Update

Finance Director Ram provided an update on last quarter's interest from April – June. Finance Director Ram reported LAIF 's interest rate was 4.55% with interest income of \$355,087.30 and an average balance of \$31,471,083.55. Finance Director Ram reported California Class earning interest rate was 5.3993% with the total interest earned of \$138,239.01 and an average balance of \$10,254,387.73. Finance Director Ram also reported this year the District will be working with a new auditor, offering a fresh perspective on everything.

Director McGurk inquired if the auditor works for the same company as our previous auditor. Finance Director Ram replied yes.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – UNCLE Credit Union, 07/11/24 No Board members attended.

H. COMMUNICATIONS

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1. Stockton Chamber of Commerce 2024 State of the Water, 8:00 a.m., 07/17/24
- 2. San Joaquin County Flood and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 1:00 p.m., 07/17/24

Board Meeting - 07/16/24 Draft *This meeting was cancelled*

- 3. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Groundwater Sustainability Plan Update: Stakeholder Meeting No.2, 4:30 p.m., 07/17/24
- 4. CVP Water Association Executive and Financial Affairs Committees Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 07/19/24
- 5. Stockton East Water District Administration Committee Meeting, 2:00 p.m., 07/19/24

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential exposure to litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 – one case

President Atkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:52 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:18 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Atkins adjourned the meeting at 1:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin M. Hopkins Secretary of the Board

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STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT INVOICES FOR BOARD PACKAGE CALPERS EFT REQUEST JULY 23, 2024

	Vendor name	District	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
-	1 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	40 m	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 07/19/24-Admin	5,997.31	5,997.31 07/19/24 1245106351
				Total Fund 70 Admin	\$ 5,997.31	
2	2 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	7	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 07/19/24-WS-NM	5,732.36	5,732.36 07/19/24 1245106351
с	3 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	71	10-5058-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 07/19/24-WS-NH	1,652.42	1,652.42 07/19/24 1245106351
				Total Fund 71 Water Supply	\$ 7,384.78	
4	4 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	94	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 07/19/24-M&I	22,709.92	22,709.92 07/19/24 1245106351
				Total Fund 94 Municipal & Industrial	\$ 22,709.92	
	Grand Total for Electronic Funds Tran	Funds	Transfer Re	isfer Request on RBM 07/23/24	\$ 36,092.01	
					. F.J.	

Agenda Item: D-2 Date: 07/23/24

AGREEMENT FOR SPECIAL CONTRACT SERVICES BETWEEN STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT AND KRISTIN COON CONSULTING

This Agreement is entered into this _____ day of August, 2024, by and between, STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as "SEWD", and KRISTIN COON CONSULTING, hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR", is for consulting or special services to be performed by a non-employee of SEWD. SEWD and CONTRACTOR herein named do mutually agree to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. **DUTIES**: CONTRACTOR shall perform the services necessary to accomplish the tasks listed on attached **Exhibit A** ("Services").
- 2. **CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS**: CONTRACTOR represents that CONTRACTOR has the qualifications and ability to perform the Services in a professional manner, without the advice, control, or supervision of SEWD. CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for the professional performance of the Services, and shall receive no assistance, direction, or control from SEWD. CONTRACTOR shall have sole discretion and control of CONTRACTOR'S services and the manner in which said services are performed.
- 3. **INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE.** CONTRACTOR shall and does hereby indemnify, defend and hold harmless SEWD, and SEWD'S officers, directors, employees, and shareholders, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Indemnitees", from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, costs, expenses, obligations, liabilities, damages, recoveries, and deficiencies, including interest, penalties, and reasonable attorney fees and costs, that the Indemnitees may incur or suffer and that result from, or are related to any breach or failure of CONTRACTOR to perform any of the representations, warranties and agreements contained in this Agreement.

CONTRACTOR further agrees to maintain and provide evidence of a policy of insurance in the minimum amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per claim and annual aggregate professional liability; Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence general liability; One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) auto liability for bodily injury and property damage each accident; One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) workers' compensation and employer's liability (if applicable); to cover any negligent acts committed by CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR'S employees or agents during the performance of the Services. CONTRACTOR shall provide SEWD with a written 30 days (10 days for non-payment of premium) notice of any cancellation or reduction in coverage required by this <u>Section 3</u>.

4. RATE: within thirty (30) days of submission of monthly incremental invoices equal to one twelfth (1/12) of the Water Conservation Education Program annual budget, as determined by SEWD, in accordance with attached EXHIBIT A, SEWD shall pay CONTRACTOR'S invoices. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all expenses associated with the performance of the specified tasks.

- 5. **TERM**: This Agreement is effective as of August 1, 2024 and shall continue for a period of one (2) years from that date. Either party may cancel this Agreement on thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party.
- 6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP: The CONTRACTOR is an independent CONTRACTOR and is not to be considered an agent or employee of SEWD. The parties intend that an independent CONTRACTOR relationship be created by this Agreement, and SEWD assumes no responsibility for worker's compensation, payroll deductions, or employee benefits. CONTRACTOR enters into this Agreement as, and shall continue to be, an independent CONTRACTOR. Under no circumstances shall CONTRACTOR look to SEWD as CONTRACTOR'S employer, or as a partner, agent, or principal. CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any benefits provided to SEWD employees, including workers' compensation, disability insurance, vacation or sick pay. CONTRACTOR owns all instruments and tools that will be used to complete the Services under this Agreement, but may also use SEWD facilities and equipment to complete the Services. CONTRACTOR, prior to the commencement of the Services, shall provide SEWD with documentation of tax identification numbers.
- 7. **NO ASSIGNMENT.** This Agreement is for the personal services of CONTRACTOR, and CONTRACTOR may not assign the performance of the Services to any person or persons who are not parties to this Agreement except for employees and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR.
- 8. **OWNERSHIP OF RECORDS**. SEWD shall become the owner of and entitled to exclusive possession of all records, documents, logs, photographic or other reproductions, of any kind, produced in the scope of Services performed and no other uses thereof will be permitted except by permission of SEWD. Notwithstanding the foregoing, proprietary materials provided by CONTRACTOR will be exempt from this <u>Section 8</u>.
- 9. ACCOUNTABILITY: CONTRACTOR shall maintain documentation of services and provide progress reports to SEWD upon request, or as otherwise stipulated. CONTRACTOR will meet periodically with representatives of SEWD to review status of task implementation and work products.
- 10. **WORK SPACE**: CONTRACTOR will maintain an office separate from the premises of SEWD. However, SEWD will provide CONTRACTOR with workspace on SEWD premises for storage of materials and performance of certain tasks that require the use of specialized office equipment and software applications.
- 11. **TAXES AND SOCIAL SECURITY**: As CONTRACTOR is not SEWD's employee, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for any taxes and Social Security contributions required by local, state or federal governments applicable to compensation paid to or due to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. SEWD shall submit 1099s and/or any other tax reporting forms as required by local, state and federal

governments applicable to compensation paid or due to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.

- 12. NON-EXCLUSIVE RELATIONSHIP. CONTRACTOR may perform services for other clients while working on matters unrelated to SEWD. However, work on these unrelated matters shall not interfere with CONTRACTOR'S duties and obligation under this Agreement.
- 13. **NOTICES**: All notices and demands which may or are required to be given by SEWD or CONTRACTOR under this Agreement shall be in writing given by personal delivery, delivery by United States Postal Service mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, or overnight delivery by any nationally recognized overnight courier service, charges prepaid, to the addresses listed below. Both parties may from time to time designate a different address for notices by a notice given to the other party in the manner provided in this Section 13. For purposes of this Agreement, notices shall be deemed given or received on the date of personal delivery, three (3) business days after the date of deposit with the United States Postal Service or the next business day following the date of deposit with a nationally recognized overnight courier service.

14. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:

- a. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. The entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereunder is contained in this Agreement.
- b. <u>No Modification</u>. This Agreement shall be modified or amended only by written agreement duly executed by SEWD and CONTRACTOR.
- c. <u>Severability</u>. Should any of the provisions hereunder be found to be invalid, void, or voidable by a court, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

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Justin M. Hopkins General Manager

Stockton East Water District 6767 East Main Street P.O. Box 5157 Stockton, CA 95205

Phone: (209) 948-0333

Special Contract Services Agreement

EXHIBIT A

Agreement for Special Contract Services Between Stockton East Water District and Kristin Coon Consulting

Kristin Coon Consulting 501 Pine Valley Court Valley Springs, CA 95252 Contract Term: August 1, 2024-July 31, 2026 Approved Budget Term: April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2027

Scope of Work for SAWS Water Education Program

Task Number	Task Name	Scope of Work	Allotment Spread	Approved 25/26 Budget*
Task 1	Program Coordination	Water Education Program Coordination: Coordinator compensation, mileage, insurance, uniforms, communications, scheduling, training, reporting, administrative expenses	56%	\$116,000.00
Task 2	Handouts, Materials, Expenses	Teacher, student and public handouts, promotional items, lending library materials, training, travel, meetings, printing, special event and miscellaneous/contingency costs	%6	\$19,000.00
Task 3	Employees & Payroll Costs	Water Education Presenters: Compensation, mileage, uniforms, payroll costs, insurance and expenses	30%	\$62,000.00
Task 4	Supplemental Outreach	Supplemental outreach costs for program development, outside contractor costs	5%	\$10,000.00
			100%	\$207,000.00

* Subject to adjustment in accordance with approval of 25/26 SEWD budget, effective 4/1/25

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 24-25-05

ADOPTING APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

WHEREAS, Article XIIIB of the California Constitution and Division 9, commencing with Section 7900, of Title 1 of the California Government Code require Stockton East Water District to adopt an Appropriations Limit for each Fiscal Year; and

WHEREAS, Stockton East Water District has determined that the appropriations limit for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$1,954,038 while for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 it was \$1,866,856; and

WHEREAS, the documentation supporting such determination is set forth in Exhibit "A", Attachment "A", and Attachment "B" which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and have been available to the public for over 15 days; and

WHEREAS, the estimated property tax revenue for the District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$530,907 which is substantially less than the Appropriations Limit and results in no impact on the budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Stockton East Water District that the Appropriations Limit set for the District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is hereby set at \$1,954,038.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Stockton East Water District at a regular meeting thereof held on this 23rd day of July, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: NAYES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

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Richard Atkins, President Board of Directors

ATTEST:

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Justin M. Hopkins, Secretary

Agenda Item: D-4a Date: 07/23/24 EXHIBIT A

EXHIBIT A STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT 2024-2025 APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT CALCULATIONS

Changes (as provided by the Dept. of Finance, State of California, did May, 2024).						
California per Capita F	Personal Income	lndex			3.62	
Population (San Joaqu	uin County)				1.01	
Per Capita converted to a ratio:	3.62	+ 100	100	=	1.0362	
Population converted to a ratio:	1.01	+ 100	100	=	1.0101	
Calculation of Factor for FY 2024-2025 1.0362 x 1.0101 =				1.0467		
Appropriations Limitation FY 2024	Appropriations Limitation FY 2024-2025:					
2024-2025 Limit of	\$1,866,856	x	1.0467	=	\$1,954,038	
					(2024-2025 Limit)	

Changes (as provided by the Dept. of Finance, State of California, dtd May, 2024):



Agenda Item: D-4b Date: 07/23/24

Gavin Newsom Governor

1021 O Street, Suite 3110 • Sacramento CA 95814 • www.dof.ca.gov

April 30, 2024

Dear Fiscal Officer:

Price Factor and Population Information

Appropriations Limit

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2227 requires the Department of Finance to transmit an estimate of the percentage change in population to local governments. Each local jurisdiction must use their percentage change in population factor for January 1, 2024, in conjunction with a change in the cost of living, or price factor, to calculate their appropriations limit for fiscal year 2024-25. Attachment A provides the change in California's per capita personal income and an example for utilizing the factors to calculate the 2024-25 appropriations limit. Attachment B provides the city and unincorporated county population percentage change change. Attachment C provides the population percentage change for counties and their summed incorporated areas. The population percentage change data excludes federal and state institutionalized populations and military populations.

Population Percent Change for Special Districts

Some special districts must establish an annual appropriations limit. <u>California Revenue</u> and Taxation Code section 2228 provides additional information regarding the appropriations limit. <u>Article XIII B, section 9(C) of the California Constitution</u> exempts certain special districts from the appropriations limit calculation mandate. Special districts required by law to calculate their appropriations limit must present the calculation as part of their annual audit. Any questions special districts have on this requirement should be directed to their county, district legal counsel, or the law itself. No state agency reviews the local appropriations limits.

Population Certification

The population certification program applies only to cities and counties. California Revenue and Taxation Code section 11005.6 mandates Finance to automatically certify any population estimate that exceeds the current certified population with the State Controller's Office. **Finance will certify the higher estimate to the State Controller by June 1, 2024**. Please note: The prior year's city population estimates may be revised. The per capita personal income change is based on historical data.

If you have any questions regarding this data, please contact the Demographic Research Unit at (916) 323-4086.

/s Richard Gillihan

RICHARD GILLIHAN Chief Operating Officer

Attachment

A. **Price Factor**: Article XIII B specifies that local jurisdictions select their cost of living factor to compute their appropriation limit by a vote of their governing body. The cost of living factor provided here is per capita personal income. If the percentage change in per capita personal income is selected, the percentage change to be used in setting the fiscal year 2024-25 appropriation limit is:

Per Capita Personal Income

Fiscal Year	Percentage change
(FY)	over prior year
2024-25	3.62

B. Following is an example using sample population change and the change in California per capita personal income as growth factors in computing a 2024-25 appropriation limit.

2024-25:

Per Capita Cost of Living Change = 3.62 percent Population Change = 0.17 percent

Per Capita Cost of Living converted to a ratio:	$\frac{3.62 + 100}{100} = 1.0362$
Population converted to a ratio:	$\frac{0.17 + 100}{100} = 1.0017$
Calculation of factor for FY 2024-25:	1.0362 x 1.0017 = 1.0379

Fiscal Year 2024-25

Attachment B Annual Percent Change in Population Minus Exclusions* January 1, 2023 to January 1, 2024 and Total Population, January 1, 2024

County City	Percent Change 23-24	Population Min 1-1-23	us Exclusions 1-1-24	<u>Total</u> Population 1-1-24
San Joaquin				
Escalon	0.07	7,244	7,249	7,249
Lathrop	5.39	35,138	37,033	37,033
Lodi	0.50	66,164	66,492	66,492
Manteca	2.67	88,552	90,917	90,917
Ripon	0.10	15,726	15,741	15,741
Stockton	0.48	315,655	317,174	317,204
Tracy	1.33	95,341	96,609	96,609
Unincorporated	0.29	157,407	157,866	160,163
County Total	1.01	781,227	789,081	791,408

*Exclusions include residents on federal military installations and group quarters residents in state mental institutions, state and federal correctional institutions and veteran homes.

Memorandum

To:	Board of Directors
From:	Justin Hopkins – General Manager
	Juan Vega – Assistant General Manager
	David Higares – Maintenance Manager
Date:	July 23, 2024
Re:	Consider Adopting Resolution 24-25-06 – Approving the Disposal of Surplus
	Property

Background

The Stockton East Water District (District) maintains a fleet of vehicles to support its operational needs. Periodic evaluation of these vehicles is conducted to ensure that the fleet remains efficient and cost-effective. Recently, a comprehensive assessment was performed, identifying several vehicles that have reached the end of their useful life, are no longer CARB compliant, and are no longer economically viable to maintain. The vehicles identified for surplus are listed below:

- 1. Unit 16: 2003 Ford 450 Diesel
- 2. Unit 31: 1998 Freightliner Boom Truck 15-ton
- 3. Unit 36: 2004 Chevy Pickup 2500HD Silverado
- 4. Unit 47: 2008 Chevy Pickup Silverado 2500 4x4
- 5. Unit 48: 2008 Chevy Kodiak C4500 (Diesel)
- 6. Unit 49: 2009 Ford Edge AWD Ltd
- 7. Unit 64: 2015 Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd

Summary

The vehicles listed above have been identified for surplus due to their age, high maintenance costs, and diminishing reliability. Additionally, an opportunity has arisen to sell Unit 31, the 1998 Freightliner Boom Truck, to All-Cal for \$30,000. This sale presents a favorable financial outcome for the District while simultaneously reducing the fleet size and maintenance burden.

Financial Impact

Designating these vehicles as surplus will result in the following financial impacts:

• Sale of Unit 31: The district will immediately receive revenue from the sale of the 1998 Freightliner Boom Truck to All-Cal for \$30,000.

- **Reduction in Maintenance Costs**: Removing these older vehicles from the fleet will significantly reduce ongoing maintenance and repair expenses.
- **Asset Liquidation**: The remaining vehicles will be sold at auction or through other appropriate channels, generating additional revenue and freeing up resources currently tied to their upkeep.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 24-25-06 to authorize the General Manager to proceed with the surplus of items listed within this memorandum.

Agenda Item: D-5a Date: 07/23/24

RESOLUTION NO. 24-25-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT APPROVING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Stockton East Water District (District) owns a 2003 Ford 450 Diesel Truck which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per District Board of Directors (Board)-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the District owns a 1998 Freightliner Boom Truck which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per Board-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the District owns a 2004 Chevrolet 2500 HD Truck which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per Board-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the District owns a 2008 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 Truck which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per Board-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the District owns a 2008 Chevrolet Kodiak C4500 Diesel Truck which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per Board-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the District owns a 2009 Ford Edge AWD SUV which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per Board-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the District owns a 2015 Ford F-250 Superduty truck which has reached the end of its useful life, is no longer economically viable to maintain and per Board-approved Fleet Management Policy meets the criteria for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the above listed items have been declared surplus by the General Manager; and

WHEREAS, the District's Surplus Property Disposal Guidelines adopted on June 4, 2013, states the General Manager shall use methods and procedures for disposing of surplus items, which in his judgment will return the greatest value at the least cost to the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Stockton East Water District that the General Manager shall be authorized to use the methods and procedures for disposing of surplus items, which in his judgment will return the greatest value to the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting by the Board of Directors of the Stockton East Water District on the 23rd day of July, 2024 by the following vote of the members thereof:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:



Richard Atkins, President

ATTEST:

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Justin M. Hopkins Secretary of the Board

Memorandum

To:	Board of Directors
From:	Justin M. Hopkins – General Manager
	Juan M. Vega – Assistant General Manager
	Darrel Evensen – District Engineer
	Manuel Verduzco – Senior Engineer
Date:	July 23, 2024
Re:	Consider Approving a Professional Services Agreement with Control Point Engineering for the Phase VI Water Treatment Plant PLC/SCADA Projects

Background

In 2013, Stockton East Water District (District) developed a comprehensive plan (Master IT Plan) to address its aging information technology (IT) infrastructure, evolving technological needs, and develop and implement a much-needed Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system. Control Point Engineering (CPE) has been supporting the District's SCADA efforts throughout the development of the SCADA system, beginning with the development of PLC programming and HMI development standards, the Raw Water System, Filters, High Service Pump Station (HSPS), Low Lift Pump Station (LLPS), and Operations Building. Continued engagement of CPE for integration will provide a seamless continuation of the District's standards.

In 2015, the District began its multi-year implementation of the SCADA system, with the work ramping up in 2019. The following phases have been completed:

- A. Phase I saw the completion of the North Raw Water Project, the creation of server infrastructure with redundant SCADA visualization software, and the creation of District Standards for: PLC programming, control panel set-up, and tag naming to assure uniformity within SCADA and IT projects.
- B. Phase II included replacement of obsolete Filter PLC hardware with new redundant PLCs and new Filter control panels. Legacy Master Control Board (MCB) displays were decommissioned, and daily Filter Basin operations were controlled by SCADA.
- C. Phase III replaced obsolete PLC hardware in the HSPS and the installation of new HSPS control panels. The existing HSPS control narrative was extensively reviewed and modified to utilize the strengths of the SCADA environment.
- D. Phase IV saw upgrades for the operations building control center and LLPS PLC & SCADA upgrade.
- E. Phase V saw compliance reporting Phase 1 for the District's SCADA Historian, new PLC programming, new SCADA controls, and Ethernet-based communication networking to new variable frequency drives (VFDs) for the

sedimentation basins, particle counters integration, and operations building basement chemical system SCADA upgrades including a new control panel.

Summary:

CPE submitted proposals to upgrade and integrate Phase VI into the District's SCADA system for a cost of \$558,580.

Phase VI includes:

- Compliance Reporting The District's SCADA Historian is responsible for storing and logging all data that the SCADA system aggregates. It allows operators and stakeholders to look at historical data for the WTP and provide reports. This project provides integration of the District's daily and monthly reports into new SCADA system
- Sedimentation (Sed) Basins 1&2 Provides complete system integration, including new PLC programming, new SCADA controls, and Ethernet-based communication networking to new variable frequency drives (VFDs) for Sed Basins 1 and 2.
- WTP Process Area Improvements modifications and improvements throughout several areas of the plant. PLC programming, SCADA application development, and testing and commissioning services for the following systems:
 - Filters (Backwash Sequence Modifications)
 - High Service Pump Station (P-27 Replacement and Sequencing Modifications)
 - Low Lift Pump Station (P-1 Replacement and Sequencing Modifications)
 - Raw Water System (Install and Configure Replacement Network Switches)
 - Setup and Configure Five (5) Control Room UPS Units and Network Cards
 - Plant-Wide UPS Summary Page, including alarms for Battery Replacements
- WTP Documentation Final documentation packages reflecting all field changes made throughout the past 6 years of upgrade activities will be provided. In addition, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for each Process Area for handing PLC/SCADA faults or hacking recovery events will be developed.
 - Plant-wide As-Built Control Strategy Chapters
 - Plant-wide As-Built Communications Architecture Diagrams
 - Plant-wide As-Built Control Panel Drawings

Financial Impact

The overall scope of the Master IT Plan included an estimated all-inclusive cost of \$9,760,000. SCADA-related items accounted for \$7,748,000 of the estimate.

The District's Board of Directors' (Board) approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Budget includes \$559,000 for continued SCADA project work. The District's SCADA integrator, CPE, provided the past services for each SCADA phase in the amounts shown below in **Table 1**.

Phase I – Actual	\$511,630
Phase II – Actual	\$421,942
Phase III – Actual	\$785,404
Phase IV – Actual	\$1,110,837
Phase V – Actual (Unaudited)	\$908,258
Phase VI Budgeted	\$559,000
SCADA Total	\$4,297,071

 Table 1. SCADA Expenses per Phase

The current year's proposal by CPE fits within the approved budget. Phase VI will take care of most of the reporting work necessary for full SCADA implementation but there will be some residual work that carries on to FY 2025-2026.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Control Point Engineering for \$558,580 and make all other necessary approvals.

Memorandum

To:	Board of Directors
From:	Justin M. Hopkins – General Manager
	Juan Vega – Assistant General Manager
	Darrel Evensen – District Engineer
	David Strohm – Engineering Technician
Date:	July 23, 2024
Re:	Consider Approving Purchase of Automated Butterfly Valves and Associated Equipment for WTP Distribution Control Vaults

Background

The Stockton East Water District's (District) Dr. Joe Waidhofer Water Treatment Plant (WTP) has three distribution control vaults that contain automated butterfly valves to control distribution to the Urban Contractors' conveyance pipelines. The valves are critical infrastructure for the District, as they allow WTP operators to make necessary flow rate adjustments to meet demand and isolate each pipeline for repairs. The three butterfly valves are located on the North Stockton 48-inch pipeline, the South Stockton 42-inch pipeline and the Cal Water 42-inch pipeline. The North Stockton and Cal Water valves are original from the 1970s and are past their useful life. The South Stockton valve was installed in 2006 and is in good condition.

Because the underground vaults are confined spaces, multiple District staff members are required to be present for an operator or maintenance staff to make an adjustment or repair. The valves, electric actuators and controls are all located in the vaults.

<u>Summary</u>

The District has standardized on DeZurik and Pratt butterfly valves and Rotork and Limitorque actuators for their quality, maintenance consistency, and reasonable pricing. Staff requested quotes to replace two of the three butterfly valves and include mechanical extensions and new actuators for all three valves to bring the electric actuators above ground, allowing efficient and safe operation of the valves without having to enter a confined space.

District Staff obtained two quotes from Frank Olsen Company and Southwest Valve. The quotes are summarized in **Table 1**.

Vendor	Manufacturer	Price (Includes taxes and freight)	Lead Time		
Frank Olsen Company	DeZurik with Rotork	\$170,887.75	40+ weeks		
Southwest Valve, LLC	Pratt with Limitorque	\$194,775.47	43-45 weeks		
Table 1. Valve and Actuator Pricing					

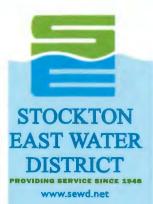
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Financial Impact

Due to the lead time, the District anticipates taking delivery of the valves and actuators in Fiscal Year 2025-2026. No budget amendment is needed for the current fiscal year. Staff proposes inclusion of the purchase of the new equipment in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as a budgeted line item including funds for installation.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to approve the purchase of the Dezurik butterfly valves with Rotork electric actuators from Frank Olsen Company in the amount of \$170,887.85 plus a 10% contingency of \$17,088.78, for a total of \$187,976.53 and make all other necessary approvals.



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Agenda Item: E-1 Date: 07/23/24

MEETING NOTICE

The Administration Committee of the Stockton East Water District Board of Directors will meet at <u>2:00 p.m., Friday, July 19, 2024</u> at the District Office, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, CA

Assistance for the Disabled: If you are disabled in any way and need accommodation to participate in the meeting, please call Administrative Staff at (209) 948-0333 for assistance so the necessary arrangements can be made.

AGENDA

Roll Call - Chairperson Sanguinetti, Director Nakaue, Director Watkins, Director Panizza (Alternate)

2. Public Comment

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- 3. Stockton East Water District Discuss New Water Supply Contract
- 4. Stockton East Water District Proposed Reorganization
- 5. Stockton East Water District Proposed Wireless Phone Policy
 - Stockton East Water District Proposed Modifications to Incentive Program
- 7. Adjournment

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I hereby certify that on July 16, 2024, I posted a copy of the foregoing agenda in the outside display case at the District Office, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, California, said time being at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting of the Stockton East Water District Administration Committee Meeting (Government Code Section 54954.2). Executed at Stockton, California on July 16, 2024.

Priya Ram, Finance Director Stockton East Water District

Weekly Water Report	As of: July 16, 2024	As of: July 23, 2024	
New Hogan (NHG) TOC	317,100	, ,	AF
Storage:	215,396*		AF
Net Storage Change:	-3,663		AF
Inflow:	7*		CFS
Release:	258*		CFS
New Melones (NML) Allocation	75,000		AF
Storage:	1,971,811*		AF
Net Storage change:	-14,951		AF
Inflow:	628**		CFS
Release: Source: CDEC Daily Reports	1,772**		CFS
Goodwin Diversion (GDW)			
Inflow (Tulloch Dam):	2,145		CFS
Release to Stanislaus River (S-98):	401		CFS
Release to OID (JT Main):	921		CFS
Release to SSJID (SO Main):	382		CFS
Release to SEWD & CSJWCD:	_284		CFS
Total Release	1,988		CFS
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Note: **The data reported here is available as of 07/14/24 *The data reported here is available as of 07/15/24 All other flow data reported here is preliminary, as of 9:00 a.m. on 07/16/24

Kings County judge rules state overstepped by requiring farmers to meter, report groundwater extractions

SJV Water, 07/16/24

The first steps toward possible state control of groundwater pumping in Kings County were derailed under a ruling issued July 15 that said the Water Resources Control Board had overstepped its bounds by requiring meters on wells.

The temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction were issued by Kings County Superior Court Judge Kathy Ciuffini in a case brought by the Kings County Farm Bureau.

Requiring meters and reporting extractions were the first steps mandated by the Water Board in the Tulare Lake subbasin, which covers most of Kings County, as part of its enforcement of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

The requirements were made after the subbasin was put into probationary status by the Water Board April 16 for failing to come up with a coordinated groundwater management plan.

It's unclear what effect Judge Ciuffini's ruling could have on five other San Joaquin Valley subbasins set to come before the Water Board for probation hearings in the coming months.

The Water Board did not provide a response after multiple requests.

"I am encouraged by the judge's comments on the likelihood of the case's success," said attorney Valerie Kincaid, who is representing the farm bureau and several of its members. "That was the part that was the strongest for me."

She said an Aug. 20 preliminary injunction hearing will decide whether the Tulare Lake probationary designation will be set aside while the merits of the case are debated.

Meanwhile, the restraining order means pumpers who extract more than 500 acre-feet of groundwater per year get a temporary reprieve on installing meters, reporting their groundwater use, submitting those reports to the state by December 1, and paying associated fees of registering wells at \$300 each and \$20 per acre-foot of extracted water.

The timing couldn't have been more ironic, as July 15 was the day that pumpers were to begin tracking their groundwater use.

"It's kind of beautiful as you write history that this happened today, purely by chance," said Dusty Ference, executive director of the Kings County Farm Bureau.

Ciuffini originally issued a tentative ruling in favor of the Water Board, but after listening to oral arguments, reversed her decision.

Ference said declarations provided by four landowners gave compelling evidence that the well metering and reporting requirements would cause irreparable harm to growers' operations.

One grower, Zack Bickner, stated that with 23 wells, he could not meet the state's deadline to begin recording his extractions by July 15 because it would take 4 to 6 weeks to pull all his meters and calibrate them, causing harm to his crops during peak irrigation. He also did not receive his notice to comply until June 26, though the letter was dated May 24.

Judge Ciuffini also concurred that landowners did not receive proper notice of metering and calibration requirements, or how to report using the state's new GEARS platform (Groundwater Extraction And Reporting System).

"The plaintiffs have made a reasonable request to delay the July 15 deadline and the board either cannot or will not act," Ciuffini said. "They have shown that this is a true emergency and they will suffer irreparable harm if the measuring and reporting requirements start today.

There is no doubt in my mind they will suffer financial losses."

In her oral arguments, Kincaid belabored the fact that landowners are at a loss about the state water board's administrative process during probation. For example, the board's website provides only a generic email address for landowners to ask questions or seek relief from regulations. Furthermore, instructions are not clear.

"There is not a contact person, petition, timeline or process," Kincaid said. "Landowners honestly don't know what to do. The process does not exist, and it is tremendously prejudicial. "It is unfair and has created confusion and consternation for the public."

Tulare Lake is the first of six groundwater basins in the San Joaquin Valley to undergo state scrutiny for twice failing to submit adequate management plans per the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), which mandates that aquifers must be brought into balance by 2040.

Ference said the farm bureau has already invested more than \$100,000 in its legal battle against the state. Its "SGMA Defense Fund" has received more than \$25,000 in donations.

"This is the first small step in a much bigger process," he said. "As exciting as it is, we've got a long way to go."

NEW STUDY REVEALS SIGNIFICANT IMPACT OF PREDATION ON NATIVE FISH POPULATIONS

ACWA, 07/17/24

CENTRAL VALLEY – A groundbreaking five-year study conducted by FISHBIO and a coalition of Central Valley water agencies has uncovered a potential missing link in efforts to protect California's declining native fish populations: predation by non-native species.

A new video released by Banta-Carbona Irrigation District (Banta-Carbona), "A Startling Picture," takes a closer look at the research that challenges many long-held beliefs about why California's native fish are in decline.

Key Findings:

- Non-native fish dominate the lower San Joaquin River, with native species comprising less than 1% of sampled fish
- Juvenile Chinook salmon are being consumed throughout the river
- Population-level impacts to out-migrating salmon appear substantial greater than 50% – even under ideal conditions
- Data also shows the long-held relationship between flows and salmon populations has broken down. More flows don't equal more fish.

The study suggests that predation by non-native fish species is having a significant impact on juvenile Chinook salmon, with population-level losses exceeding 50% even under ideal conditions, and many salmon not even surviving to reach the Delta.

"We were flabbergasted that nobody had been studying non-native fish populations. We could not believe that," said David Weisenberger, Banta-Carbona Irrigation District General Manager. "If there's this big void in science, how can you manage anything? It's immensely important."

Despite recent wet winters, regulations meant to protect fish are still restricting water deliveries to cities and farms, while commercial salmon seasons had consecutive cancellations.

Call to Action:

- Expand long-term research to fully quantify predation's impact
- Integrate predation analysis into management strategies
- Engage regulators and policymakers with new findings

"A Startling Picture," is the sequel to Banta-Carbona's Telly Award-winning minidocumentary "The Missing Piece," which takes a deep dive into the role of predation in California's waterways and the findings of this groundbreaking study.

"The more we can do to help salmon, the more we can do to help water supplies for 40 million people in California," says David Guy, President of the Northern California Water Association.

In addition to Banta-Carbona, the research is supported by Patterson Irrigation District, San Luis Water District, and West Stanislaus Irrigation District.

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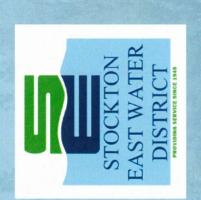
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GROWERS NEETING

Presented By: Stockton East Water District

*Refreshments Will Be Provided

WHEN: July 26th, 2024 TIME: 10:00 a.m. WHERE: Linden Lions Club 5041 N. Market St., Linden, CA, 95236



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