



**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OPERATING COMMITTEE
of the
CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY**

will be held at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, January 9, 2025
at 255 Industrial Way, Buellton

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- I. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- II. Public Comment – (Any member of the public may address the Committee relating to any matter within the Committee’s jurisdiction. Individual Speakers may be limited to five minutes; all speakers to a total of fifteen minutes.)**
- III. * Consent Calendar**
 - A. Minutes of the October 10, 2024 Operating Committee Meeting
Staff Recommendation: Approve Consent Calendar.
- IV. Executive Director’s Report**
 - A. Operations Update
Staff Recommendation: Informational item only.
 - B. Water Supply Situation Report
Staff Recommendation: Informational item only.
 - C. California Aqueduct Subsidence Update
Staff Recommendation: Informational item only.
 - D. State Water Project Facility Golden Mussel Detection
Staff Recommendation: Informational item only.
 - * E. FY 2025/26 Budget Preparation Schedule
Staff Recommendation: Informational item only.
- V. CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d) (4): 1 case
- VI. Reports from Committee Members for Information Only**
- VII. Date of Next Regular Meeting: March 13, 2025**
- VIII. Adjournment**

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**MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY
OPERATING COMMITTEE**

October 10, 2024

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Garcia, Committee Chair, called the October 10, 2024, Central Coast Water Authority Operating Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Committee members present:

Paeter Garcia	-	Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID#1
Jasmine Showers	-	City of Santa Barbara
Ryan Drake	-	Goleta Water District (arrived after roll call)
Rose Hess	-	City of Buellton
Maso Matlow	-	Carpinteria Valley Water District
Shad Springer	-	City of Santa Maria

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Consent Calendar

A. Approve Minutes of the July 11, 2024 Operating Committee Meeting

Motion to approve the consent calendar was made by Mr. Springer, seconded by Mr. Garcia, and carried with, Mr. Drake, Ms. Hess, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Matlow, Ms. Showers and Mr. Springer in favor and none opposed.

IV. Executive Director's Report

A. Operations Update

David Beard, Deputy Director of Operations and Engineering, reviewed plant production, chemical costs and Lake Cachuma pumping for July, August and September 2024. He reported that water quality has been great, and chemical costs have been lower than anticipated.

CCWA is in the process of replacing the concrete pedestal under the surge tank at the Santa Ynez Pumping Plant, and Mr. Beard reviewed the progress made on the ongoing project.

CCWA's environmental consultant provided authorization to commence sludge basis clearing at the water treatment plant. The work has taken place over the last several weeks after a delay of several years which resulted in significant vegetation growth.

The projects to be completed during the 2024 Coastal Branch shutdown were reviewed, including Inspection and Cleaning of Tanks 5 and 7, WTP Utility Water Header Replacement, Electrical Switchgear and Motor Control Center Inspection

and Maintenance, Chlorine Scrubber Acid Wash and Sodium Hydroxide replacement, WTP Filter Underdrain Inspections, and replacement of the SCADA server.

Mr. Beard reviewed the scope of work that DWR was planning for the shutdown period, including draining and dredging of several facilities. He stated that DWR plans on spending about \$1.8 million of their \$8.4 million of the Coastal Branch budget during shutdown.

Ms. Dessi Mladenova, CCWA Controller, provided a review of CCWA and DWR capital expenditures, both historically for construction and bond debt and anticipated costs for projects DWR anticipates will have significant impact.

B. Water Supply Situation Report

A review of the expected precipitation for the upcoming water year as well as historical precipitation within State Water Project watersheds was provided by Mr. Beard. Current reservoir conditions and a forecast of storage at Lake Oroville and San Luis Reservoir, led to a discussion of carryover water supplies. CCWA estimates 27,089 AF of carryover water will be in San Luis Reservoir at December 31, 2024 and the allowable amount would be 11,372 AF.

Following discussion, CCWA staff were requested to coordinate with DWR to maximize carryover water savings.

C. Draft Policy on Water Usage to Maintain Pipeline Health

Following discussion, the Committee determined that a policy on water usage for pipeline health was not needed and purge amounts less than 3% of delivery amount during the month of the purge would be allocated using the same method as the monthly true up process for DWR and CCWA water meters.

D. Request for Approval of Carryover of Project Funds from FY 23/24 to FY 24/25 - \$2,510,121.53

Mr. Beard reviewed the list of capitalized and expensed projects that are requiring more than one year to complete and requested carryover of project funds from last fiscal year to the current fiscal year in the total amount of \$2,510,121.53.

Upon a motion by Mr. Drake, seconded by Mr. Spinger and carried with Ms. Showers, Mr. Drake, Ms. Hess, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Matlow, and Mr. Springer in favor and none opposed the Committee requested Board approval of carryover of project funds from FY 23/24 to FY 24/25 in the amount of \$2,510,121.53 as detailed in the staff report.

E. CCWA Water Quality Overview

Mr. Beard provided an overview of CCWA's activities in source water quality monitoring, noting different conditions upstream of CCWA facilities that may be present to impact water quality, including cyanobacteria, non-project water inflows and herbicide applications. Daily monitoring using CCWA gas chromatograph/mass spectrometer (GC/MS) is used, as well as microplate

readings weekly. Mr. Beard discussed other constituents of concern, including Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and Hexavalent Chromium, and reviewed the actions taken by CCWA to monitor treated water and improve water quality.

Future projects that would impact CCWA's ability to maintain water quality were discussed, and Mr. Beard reviewed with the Committee anticipated regulatory changes that could affect CCWA's ability to treat water to the necessary standards.

V. Reports from Committee Members for Information Only

There were no reports from the Committee members.

VI. Date of Next Regular Meeting:

The date of the next Regular meeting is January 9, 2025.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 AM.







Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth F. Watkins
Secretary to the Board

CCWA Budget Planning Schedule FY 2025/26 Budget

January							February							March							April						
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-  Receive DWR Statement of Charges (for following calendar year)
-  Prepare Draft Budget
-  Submit Preliminary Budget to Operating Committee
-  Submit Preliminary Budget to Board of Directors
-  Board Approval of Final Budget
-  Beginning of 2025/26 Budget Expenditure Cycle

- July 1, 2024
- November 1, 2024- February 28, 2025
- March 13, 2025
- March 27, 2025
- April 24, 2025
- July 1, 2025