

MINUTES OF THE **WORK SESSION** OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CENTRAL UTAH WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT HELD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024, 11:30 AM AT DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, OREM, UTAH.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Shelley Brennan, Chair	Steve Hanberg	Eldon Neves
Wayne Andersen, Vice Chair	Max Haslem	Jim Riding
Jon Bronson	Marvin Kenison	Jennifer Scott
Kirk Christensen (Virtual)	Kathy Wood Loveless	Randy Vincent
Steve Farrell	L. Alma Mansell	Brad Wells
Wade E. Garner	Greg McPhie	

STAFF PRESENT

Gene Shawcroft, General Manager	Mandy McClellan, Records Manager
Lisa Anderson, Board Executive Assistant	Devin McKrola, Bonneville O&M Manager
Gary Brimley, Water Rights Engineer	Robert Moore, Legal Counsel (Virtual)
Jim Brooks, Human Resources Manager	Roger Pearson, CUPCA/Special Programs Manager
Brent Chase, Computer Systems Specialist	Brad Perkins, Project Engineer
Heath Clark, Asset Management Manager	Mike Rau, Water Quality Manager
John Coker, IT Manager	Bronson Stewart, Controller
Dylan Dastrup, Stillwater Area Manager	Amanda Strack, Water Conservation Manager
Chris Elison, Engineering Manager	Sarah Sutherland, Environmental Program Manager
Shaun Hilton, Project Engineer	Paulette Webster, Contract Administrator
Shawn Lambert, CFO	Mike Whimpey, Assistant General Manager
Cort Lambson, Engineering Manager	Cindy Willard, Records Assistant
Bart LeeFlang, Assistant General Manager	Gerard Yates, Deputy General Manager
Rick Maloy, Director of Communications	Chris York, WCWEP Project Manager

Shelley Brennan, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:38 a.m.

Chris Elison, Engineering Manager, updated the Board on the Alpine Aqueduct Reach 1 (AA-1) Replacement Project. He stated that AA-1 is a key component of the Bonneville Unit, is federally owned, carries federal water, and that the District provides the operation and maintenance of the 1.6 miles of aqueduct. Chris stated that due to several previous landslides which impacted and threatened the security of the aqueduct, Jacobs was hired in 2018 to perform a Resiliency Assessment to analyze risks and evaluate options that would mitigate threats to the aqueduct. The results showed that the pipeline needed to be replaced. Chris reported that multiple options were considered and that the NEPA process was completed, which included extensive public outreach efforts.

Chris next detailed the progress of the project including evaluating where exactly the fault line is located and the results contributed significant information for the design of the aqueduct. He showed photos and explained how the earthquake-resistant moveable pipe joints move and that they can handle up to 12-15 feet of displacement. Chris then stated that the project is at 30% design completion and that a value engineering process was completed to determine ideas to include as the project moves into the 60% design phase. He shared that the goal is to award the project for construction in the August 2024 Board Meeting.


Mike Whimpey, Assistant General Manager, presented an overview of the District's Capital Replacement Plan (CRP). He explained that aging infrastructure is an issue for the District as water deliveries are required in perpetuity, that the District must provide uncompromised service levels, and that the District cannot rely on federal funding. Mike stated that the CRP is utilized for extraordinary maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement. In response to a question, he stated that "extraordinary" means items that go beyond what is included in the annual operating budget which covers normal anticipated repair and replacement costs.

Mike gave a history of how the CRP program has developed over time, including the Board adopting resolutions in 2016 and 2019 to incrementally increase water rates for customer agencies. He stated that rates are evaluated every five years, and that staff would be bringing a new recommendation for water rate increases for discussion at the April Board Meeting which would then tentatively be adopted at the May Board Meeting. Mike then shared different projects and items that CRP funds have provided for over the past 10 years.

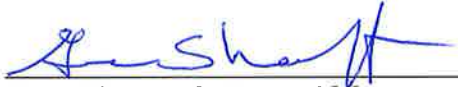
In response to a question from Trustee Bronson, Mike stated that the District's CRP can be provided to trustees interested in reviewing it. In response to a question from Trustee Garner, Devin McKrola, Bonneville O&M Manager, stated that project water is defined as waters that are specifically developed under the Bonneville Unit of the CUP and that water developed as part of other projects, such as the Strawberry Water Project, is considered non-project water.

There were no committee reports.

The meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.



Shelley Brennan, Chair



Gene Shawcroft, General Manager