



current and future expected growth, the District worked tirelessly to develop the technical plans to move forward and deliver water to these areas.

Roger next explained that the District has been working with the High Line Canal Company on plans to enclose the Strawberry High Line Canal. The goals for this project include providing improved public safety, reducing liability, providing efficient water management, capturing saved water, improving water conservation and incorporating conserved water and return flows into Bonneville Unit water supply. As the Plan Formulation Work progressed, it became apparent that the enclosure of the Strawberry High Line Canal would be integral to meeting overall water needs in South Utah Valley and that the two efforts should be merged. This will provide regional resiliency for communities in south Utah County.

Bruce Ward, Chief Engineer, reviewed plans for project implementation of the project and reemphasized that this project will involve every aspect of the District, including environmental, water supply, conservation, finance, legal, engineering, IT/OT, Asset Management, GIS, raw and finished water O&M, CUPCA and Special Projects with the Board of Trustees at the center of all of it. He shared that the District has started financial modeling, and it will be revised and evolve over time as more of the project pieces come together. Bruce shared that the next part of the project is the NEPA Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) which is a multi-year effort lead by Sarah Sutherland. He then stated that the design contract for the South Utah Valley Regional Water Treatment Plant (SUVRWTP) will be coming to the Board for approval in January 2025 and the enclosure of the Strawberry High Line Canal and ULS Conversion beginning in 2026. The goal is to begin delivery of water in approximately mid-2032.

In response to a question from Trustee Scott, Bruce stated that the 10,000 AF could be taken by Juab County in Phase I if they are ready and able to take it at that time. Trustee Bronson asked when bonding may occur. Bruce responded that bonding will be part of the process, and the financial model will help identify when that will be necessary. Trustee Wells asked if the High Line enclosure is self-funded, and Bruce reported that the cost will be incorporated into the overall project. Bruce stated that as the project is just kicking off, the District will become more informed on the funding needs over the next three to six months.

There were no committee reports. The meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

  
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Shelley Brennan, Chair

  
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Gene Shawcroft, General Manager