

Regular Board Meeting – October 14, 2026

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: Office Operations

- a. I had a Microsoft Teams meeting on October 1st with Akash Bhat of SWRCB-DFA, James Owens of NV5, and Jason Cunningham and Ingrid Salazar of SWRCB-DDW for updates on the Well Construction Project and the Water System Capital Improvements Project planning. Mr. Bhat introduced Pargol Mehranpour and announced that she will be the new project manager for both projects. James Owens reported that the pump and motor, column piping, mechanical piping and flow meter are installed. The electric panel is installed, and PG&E will re-energize electric service. Contractors are completing site work and fencing. Discussion was held regarding a site visit for the final inspection prior to startup of the well. Thursday, November 5th, was set as the tentative date, pending confirmation of availability from all parties associated with the Well No. 4 Project. Vivian Vickery reported that CCSD received reimbursement payments from the State for Claims 20 and 21. Amendment No. 1 – Funding Agreement for WS CIP planning grant was finalized by the State on September 14th. James Owens reported that planning work will resume now that the amendment has been executed. He will update the deliverable due dates and prepare Claim 8 with the new forms.
- b. The CCSD Board of Directors approved participation in the TCC Implementation Grant. The proposed project is solar and battery energy storage system for Rehoboth Well 01. I contacted the property owner, and he gave a letter of support for the proposed project. The County's application was submitted on September 30th. The portfolio of projects would be developed and implemented over a 5-year period.
- c. California Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) requires community water systems to monitor lead and copper levels at the consumers' taps. The District's monitoring schedule requires testing every three years at ten residences. Samples were collected on Tuesday, September 29th. Participants will receive a copy of the lab results. A summary of results will be included in the 2026 Consumer Confidence Report.
- d. CCSD received funds by ACH Credit from RCAC Loan Fund-Draw Request No. 02 for Well No. 4 Project on September 28th. Payment was issued to Bakersfield Well and Pump Co. for Progress Billing #6 in the amount of \$58,425.
- e. CCSD submitted Request for Funds-Draw Request 03 to RCAC on September 28th and received funds by ACH Credit on October 8th. Payments will be issued to Bakersfield Well and Pump Co. for Progress Billing #3 in the amount of \$23,940.00 and remaining balance of Progress Billing #4 for \$24,310.50.
- f. I completed the 2027-28 SDRMA Renewal Questionnaire and submitted it electronically in the MemberPlus Online portal before October 15th so that the District will receive a credit incentive of \$75 each policy.
- g. I emailed a letter to Supervisor Roy Lee to address the current conditions of Branch Canyon and Salisbury Canyon and concerns for safety and well-being of the community and treatment facilities in anticipation of El Niño, along with a request for him to initiate action towards mitigation measures.

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- a. The ARWTP filter system is working effectively for treatment of arsenic removal. The lab result of the Water Plant effluent sample taken on August 11th was 10 ppb, while the arsenic level of Water Well #1 was 44 ppb. The lab result of the Water Plant effluent sample taken on September 8th was 5.2 ppb, while the arsenic level of Water Well #1 was 50 ppb.
- b. A delivery of 250 gallons of hypochlorite solution 12.5% was delivered to the Water Treatment Plant on October 2nd. The last chlorine delivery of 250 gallons was made on August 27th.
- c. Field staff replaced the contact relays for Filter A at the Arsenic Removal Water Treatment Plant. They also replaced the diaphragm on the chlorine pump. Routine maintenance of pumps and equipment is done on a regular basis, and field operations are monitored daily. The filter system is working properly.
- d. Field staff installed the new serpentine belt on the standby generator at the WTP. The standby generator is set to come on automatically and run for a specific amount of time to exercise itself each week, and it is working properly.
- e. Field staff replaced the flow meter head insert for the 8-inch flow meter at Rehoboth Well #1 and checked for correct operation.
- f. Operations of the water and sewer systems are under good control.