

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING OF THE INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY*

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2025 10:00 AM

AGENCY HEADQUARTERS
BOARD ROOM
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may address the Board on any item that is within the jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by Subdivision (b) of Section 54954.2 of the Government Code. Those wishing to address the Board on any matter, whether or not it appears on the agenda, are requested to email the Recording Secretary prior to the public comment section or request to address the Board during the public comments section of the meeting. Comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

In accordance with Section 54954.2 of the Government Code (Brown Act), additions to the agenda require two-thirds vote of the legislative body, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted.

NEW AND PROMOTED EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS

1. **CONSENT ITEMS**

NOTICE: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by the Board by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to the time the Board votes unless any Board members, staff or the public requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

A. MINUTES

Approve minutes of the June 4 and June 18, 2025 Board Meetings.

B. APPROVE REPORT ON GENERAL DISBURSEMENTS

Staff recommends that the Board approve the total disbursements for the month of May 2025 in the amount of \$25,119,218.15.

C. RATIFY PURCHASE OF AGENCYWIDE INSURANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26

Staff recommends that the Board ratify the purchase of the following agencywide insurance policies providing coverage through Fiscal Year 2025/26 for the following amounts:

- a. Excess Liability insurance in the amount of \$1,069,718;
- b. Property, Boiler and Machinery insurance in the amount of \$1,091,810; and
- c. Excess Workers' Compensation insurance in the amount of \$128,217.

D. RATIFY THRIVE INLAND SOCAL GRANT APPLICATION AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2025-7-1 FOR LAND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

Staff recommends that the Board:

- Ratify approval to submit an application to Thrive Inland SoCal for the Cyber Workforce for Inland Empire Water and Wastewater Project;
- Authorize the General Manager or his designee to execute the Thrive Inland SoCal for the Cyber Workforce for Inland Empire Water and Wastewater Project funding agreement and all related documents;
- 3. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-7-1, approving the application for the Land Water Conservation Fund for the Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park Facilities Upgrade Project; and
- 4. Authorize the General Manager or his designee to enter into a financial assistance agreement under the Land Water Conservation Fund for the Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park Facilities Upgrade Project.

E. <u>ADOPT POSITION ON SENATE BILL 445: HIGH-SPEED RAIL: THIRD-PARTY PERMITS AND APPROVALS: REGULATIONS. (COMMUNITY & LEG)</u>

Staff recommends that the Board adopt a position of ratify opposition on Senate Bill 445: High-Speed Rail: third-party permits and approvals: regulations.

F. ADOPT SOLE SOURCE STANDARDIZATION AND APPROVE PRE-PURCHASE OF COMPOSITE MANHOLE FRAMES AND COVERS (ENG/OPS/WR)

Staff recommends that the Board:

- 1. Adopt a standardization finding pursuant to Public Contract Code 3400(c)(2) that in order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or during completion; and Public Contract Code 3400(c)(3) that in order to obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source; it is valid to use East Jordan Ironworks Co. (EJ) composite frames and covers with TITUS TwistLIFT locking system for ongoing and future manhole retrofits and new installations;
- 2. Authorize the standardization selection and sole source procurement for future operations, maintenance, and capital projects;
- 3. Approve the pre-purchase of 180 EJ composite frames and covers with TITUS Wastewater Solutions, Inc. for Non-Reclaimable Waste Critical Manhole Replacement, Project No. EN25074, and Regional Sewer System Critical Manhole Replacement, Project No. EN25075, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$462,388; and
- 4. Authorize the General Manager to execute the purchase, subject to non-substantive changes.

2. ACTION ITEMS

A. AWARD CONTRACT FOR IDENTIFYING AND REMOVING PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES USED IN WELL DRILLING (ENG/OPS/WR)

Staff recommends that the Board:

- 1. Award professional services contract to LRE Water for identifying and removing perand polyfluoroalkyl substances used in well drilling, Project No. EN25040, for a twoyear period, with the option of two one-year extensions, for a total potential contract term of four years, for an aggregate not-to-exceed amount of \$240,527; and
- 2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract, subject to non-substantive changes.

B. AWARD PROGRESSIVE DESIGN BUILD CONTRACT FOR THE ADVANCED WATER PURIFICATION FACILITY AT RP-4 PROJECT, PHASE 1 SERVICES (ENG/OPS/WR)

Staff recommends that the Board:

- 1. Award a progressive design build contract for the Phase 1 services to J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. for the Compliance for Wastewater Facilities, Project No. EN25070, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$9,372,735; and
- 2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract, subject to non-substantive changes.

C. AWARD PROGRESSIVE DESIGN BUILD CONTRACT FOR THE CITY OF RIALTO SUPPLEMENTAL RECYCLED WATER SUPPLY PROJECT, PHASE 1 SERVICES (ENG/OPS/WR)

Staff recommends that the Board:

- Award a progressive design build contract for the Phase 1 services to Steve P. Rados, for the Rialto Recycled Water Supplemental Supply Early Engineering, Project No. EN25022.01, and Recycled Water Interconnection to the City of Rialto, Project No. WR23002, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$11,355,868; and
- 2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract, subject to non-substantive changes.

D. <u>CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION FOR SEAT B, SOUTHERN NETWORK</u>

Staff recommends that the Board determine the Agency's vote for the California Special Districts Association 2025 Board of Directors' election for Seat B, Southern Network, by selecting one candidate.

3. INFORMATION ITEM

A. REGIONAL SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM (POWERPOINT)

4. RECEIVE AND FILE INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT FROM CARPI AND CLAY (WRITTEN) (COMMUNITY & LEG)
- B. STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT AND MATRIX FROM WEST COAST ADVISORS (WRITTEN)
 (COMMUNITY & LEG)
- C. PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATION (WRITTEN) (COMMUNITY & LEG)
- D. RP-5 EXPANSION PROJECT UPDATE JULY 2025 (POWERPOINT) (ENG/OPS/WR)
- E. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRADO BASIN HABITAT SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM FOR WATER YEAR 2024 (WRITTEN)
- F. TREASURER'S REPORT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (WRITTEN/POWERPOINT)

5. AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

- A. SANTA ANA WATERSHED PROJECT AUTHORITY REPORT (WRITTEN)
 July 1 and July 15, 2025 SAWPA Commission Meetings.
- **B.** METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REPORT (WRITTEN)
 June 24 and July 8, 2025 MWD Special Board Meetings.
- C. REGIONAL SEWERAGE PROGRAM POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

The next Regional Sewerage Program Policy Committee Meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2025.

D. <u>CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER REPORT (WRITTEN)</u>

June 26, 2025 CBWM Board Meeting.

E. <u>CHINO BASIN DESALTER AUTHORITY REPORT (WRITTEN)</u>

July 3, 2025 Chino Basin Desalter Authority Board Meeting.

F. INLAND EMPIRE REGIONAL COMPOSTING AUTHORITY REPORT

The next IERCA Board meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2025.

6. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

A. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (WRITTEN)

7. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REQUESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

9. **CLOSED SESSION**

A. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(2)(E)1 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

One Case

- B. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION
 - City of Ontario et al. v. Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 24STCP02321
- C. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 54957 AND 54957.6 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Director of Board and Administrative Services

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