



Topic: **Authority Board Agenda Item 4-1**

2019 December 20

Subject: **Monthly Status Report**

Requested Action:

No action requested. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the Sites Project's monthly status report.

Detailed Description/Background:

General Manager and staff to provide an update on project activities performed in November 2019 for; Program Management & Administration, Engagement & Outreach, Proposition 1, Environmental, Feasibility Study and Engineering & Technical Support.

Prior Authority Board Action:

None.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source:

None.

Staff Contact:

Jim Watson

Attachments:

Attachment A: November 2019 Status Report.

Topic: **Sites Reservoir Project, Phase 2**

Subject: **Monthly Status Report**

Report Period: **2019 November**

Monthly Status Summary:

The development of the Sites Project continues to make progress in the critical areas associated with the reprioritized Phase 2 (2019) budget and work plan, including the following activities:

- Continued supporting Reclamation on completion of their Feasibility Report, including the coordination of biological and cultural monitoring along with land access for the NODOS Feasibility Geotechnical Investigations.
- Continued support of Value Engineering and Affordability Analyses.
- Received the initial CWC early funding payment in the amount of \$2.7M.

The following highlights the status of activities conducted during the month:

Coordination with Reclamation:

- Continued coordination of Project activities funded by Reclamation and those funded by the Authority.
- Continued coordination and support for feasibility geotechnical investigation.

Permitting and Environmental Planning:

- Continued implementing the environmental commitments including biological, cultural and tribal field monitoring activities for NODOS geotechnical testing and sampling work that will advance the design and cost estimate in Reclamation Feasibility Report. Geotechnical investigations are being funded and undertaken by Reclamation while environmental compliance activities are being funded by the Authority.
- Continued refinement of analysis tools for daily operations, bypass criteria, floodplain inundation and other operational effects. Provided initial results to support staff and executive level meetings.
- Continued joint meetings with CDFW, National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on the construction and operational effects of the project.

Engineering:

- Continued technical support to the near-term geotechnical exploration program to support the federal Feasibility Report's cost estimate. Conducted utility locating during NODOS Investigation.
- Supported the value planning effort by providing review comments.
- Continue to advance the operations and repayment analysis, to review key methodologies and assumptions with work groups, and to document the process and key assumptions.
- Initiated development of a framework for the operations and repayment

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workshop held on November 15, 2019.

Real Estate, Stakeholder Engagement & Public Outreach:

Continued ongoing coordination efforts with landowners, local community members, state and federal elected officials, government agencies and coalitions of regional and statewide organizations including the following activities:

- Responded to landowner requests for project information, facilitated coordination activities with local government agencies and organizations and planned for future landowner, stakeholders and general public outreach activities and events.
- Coordinated Temporary Right of Entry (TROE) activities in support of the 2019 focused Geotechnical field studies conducted in October 2019.

Program Management & Administration:

- Submitted Invoice/Progress Report No 2 and Invoice/Progress Report No 3 to the California Water Commission (CWC). Received payment of \$2.7 million for Invoice/Progress Report No 1.
- Received Authority Agent approval on standard operating procedures related to AP Invoice Approval, Consultant Staff Approval, CWC Invoice Preparation, CWC Progress Report, Task Order Change, Task Order Close and Consultant Scope revisions.
- Developed updated Phase 2 (2019) budget and work plan. Presented information at November Reservoir Committee meeting.
- Refined Operations and Repayment Analysis and developed Repayment tool. Presented information at November Workshop.