

## Sites Reservoir Project Monthly Status Report

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### Monthly Status Summary:

The development of the Sites Project continues to make progress in the critical areas, including the following activities:

### Engineering:

- Completed eligibility process and the Sites Project has now been verified to be included in CAISO Cluster 15 studies.
- Continued development of Project Cost Estimate and engagement with the Value Planning Ad Hoc Sub-committee.
- Continued coordination/development of Program Baseline considerations.
- Continued coordination with CAISO and DSOD.

### Coordination with Reclamation:

- The draft operations agreement with DWR and Reclamation is in legal review by all parties. This review process has been delayed due to federal staffing limitations.
- BON was signed by the Acting Commissioner which allows negotiations of the Partnership Agreement to proceed. Staff is awaiting Reclamation's availability to initiate the public negotiations associated with the Partnership Agreement. This scheduling has been delayed due to federal staffing limitations.
- Continued coordination with Reclamation on schedule and timing for signing the ROD and submittal of the BA for project operations. The execution of these documents has been delayed by federal staffing limitations.

### Environmental Planning and Permitting:

- Ongoing development of the environmental compliance tracking tool.
- Continued preparations of the water right closing brief.
- Continued meetings with Reclamation and USFWS on the Project's Construction Biological Opinion.
- Continued meetings with Reclamation, NMFS, and USFWS on the Project's project-level Operations Biological Assessment / Biological Opinions.
- Continued meetings with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency to resolve comments on the Section 404 permit

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application and prepare NEPA documentation to support the 404 permit.

- Continued coordination with CDFW on the Project's Master Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement and Prop 1 Public Benefits Agreement.
- Continued coordination with design and engineering team on Project Delivery planning and Value Planning efforts.
- Advancing the project-level Eagle Act permit.

### **Operations:**

- Continued effort to transition Sites into the CalSim 3 model platform.
- Continued effort to develop Sites Operations Plan Version 2.1.

### **Partner Engagement, Public Outreach & Real Estate:**

- Scheduled Landowner Meetings for June 25 in Maxwell and June 26 in Dunnigan.
- Continued ongoing coordination with landowners who are part of the Early Acquisition Program.
- Continued coordination with landowners to discuss Temporary Right Of Entry for geotechnical, biological, environmental and cultural field activities and other real estate actions.
- Discussions continue with Colusa, Glenn and Yolo counties on the Developer Agreement as well Impact Alleviation Agreements with potentially project affected public services during construction and/or operations.

### **Program Management & Administration:**

- Issued updated drafts of the Benefits & Obligations Contract, Joint Powers Agreement, and updated Bylaws and requested Participant feedback by June 15, 2025.
- Issued Construction Workforce Policy for Authority Board & Reservoir Committee adoption.
- Presented Reservoir Construction Management at Risk recommended short-list to advance to the proposal stage of the procurement.