

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING

REPORT

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026 – 3:00PM  
BOARD ROOM  
500 W. RIDGECREST BLVD., RIDGECREST

Attendees: David Saint-Amand, Stan Rajtora, John Svika, Ty Staheli, George Croll and Renee Morquecho.

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm.

**2. Committee/Public Comments**

None.

**3. Water Storage Tanks – Cleaning/Inspections Report Summary**

Approximately every 5 years, the District brings in a contractor to remove sediment and inspect water storage tanks using certified divers. The District just completed cleaning/inspection of 9 water storage tanks by Catalyst Diving. Catalyst recommended re-coating the interior of the C-zone #1, D-zone, Ridgecrest Heights, and Springer tanks. Re-coating is recommended when repairs to the coating are too extensive to handle under water. Staff will continue reviewing the videos and reports provided and work on budgeting repair work recommended.

**4. Solar Sites Security Upgrades and Solar System Repairs: Update**

Staff reported that there was one camera installation to complete and that the solar contractor Opterra had been given the go-ahead to complete repairs as of this week.

**5. Water System Consolidations: Update**

- Inyokern CSD: Nothing new to report. The District waits for communication from the State.
- Dune 3: Legal counsel has finalized the agreement between Dune 3 and the District and sent it to Dune 3 for approval. Plans are complete and staff is reviewing the revised bid package.

Stark Street: The District is working with the IWVGA on this project. The plan is to use the same contractor that is awarded the Dune 3 contract to also complete an extension to Stark

Street via change order. The State has already given permission to continue with this plan. This project will need a new or revised CEQA and permission from LAFCO.

- Rademacher Way (Phase 2): The IWVGA is moving forward with using a third-party company to obtain the last easements and also right-of-way for the Stark Street project.

## **6. Brady Street: Mainline Replacement Project Status**

The District's construction crew has installed close to 1000 L.F. of the 24-inch PVC transmission pipeline in Brady Street between Inyokern Rd and Ward Avenue. The crew is working closely with the County on compaction testing and has had no issues meeting compaction to date.

## **7. Future Agenda Items**

- Electric vehicle mandates
- Future capital purchases
- La Mirage Housing Area Grant Funding
- Transmission pipeline(s) inspection and/or corrosion control installation.

## **8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm.