

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING

REPORT

MONDAY MAY 5, 2025 – 3:00PM
BOARD ROOM
500 W. RIDGECREST BLVD., RIDGECREST

Attendees: Ron Kicinski, Mallory Boyd, Jason Lillion, Ty Staheli, and Renee Morquecho.

1. Call to Order

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

2. Committee/Public Comments

None.

3. NW Transmission Pipeline Replacement Project/Crossing at Brady Street: Update

Staff will be reviewing the Corrective and Outstanding Work list with the contractor this week. Nicholas will be draining the pipe this week in order to prepare for the crossing under Hwy 178 at Brady Street.

4. Brady Street Pipeline Break: Update

The construction crew began work today on the needed repair south of where the last repair was made. They will be removing the leaking pipe section, weld on new flanges to each end and then install the new PVC pipe.

5. Water System Consolidations: Update

Hometown Water: 95% design plans were sent to the Division of Drinking Water (DDW) for approval. The State is still working with the HOA to bring this project to fruition.

Rademacher Way: Construction of Phase 1 has begun. Most of the pipe has been placed. The Construction Crew will complete construction once the repairs on Brady Street have been completed. Staff reviewed the 95% design plans for Phase 2 with Krieger & Stewart. With a few changes, Phase 2 plans will be submitted to DDW. Staff sent follow up letters to the out-of-town owners for the remaining needed easements. Staff will visit the one remaining local owner who has not responded to the easement request.

Dune 3: The State provided feedback on the Right-of-Entry agreement and a new version was sent today for approval. The agreement between the District and Dune 3 will be on the next Board agenda. GHD is finalizing the specifications/contract documents and has completed the plans. All property owners must sign the ROE agreement before the project can be bid.

6. Arsenic Plants: Update

At Plant 2, the new gaskets were installed to properly seal up the filter vessels. Staff is finishing new media installation and then the plant will be disinfected and brought online together with Plant 1.

7. Recycled Water Feasibility Study: Discussion

Operations Manager Jason Lillion reported that he has been looking at recycling projects in El Paso, TX, Orange County and San Diego and the cost per acre-ft to treat the water and use it for recharge has been much less than originally thought. He is waiting for more specific data at this time.

8. Future Agenda Items

- La Mirage Housing Area Grant Funding
- Transmission pipeline(s) inspection
- Springer Ave pipeline schedule
- Imported pipeline infrastructure upgrades

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:14 pm.