

PINE-STRAWBERRY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

MEETING DATE: April 16, 2020
AGENDA ITEM: 5.B
PRESENTER: Paul Hendricks
SUBJECT: Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding the Status, Prioritization, and Funding of Capital Projects

RECOMMENDED MOTION/ACTION: Discuss and Possible Action

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: WIFA FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM(S)

WIFA Capital Program:

The District continues to process WIFA disbursements.

Implementing the Recommendations from the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER):

The District is continuing the USDA application process.

The USDA requires a full environmental review as defined by the National Environmental Policy Act, (NEPA) as well as a review by the State Historical Preservation Office, (SHPO).

The District received two proposals to perform the environmental review. One from EPS and the other from Sunrise Engineering. These are being evaluated.

The SHPO office has advised that they will provide the initial SHPO review. We are awaiting their review.

Due to the virus this process is taking longer than normal. As we stated in the past, the USDA application process can take some time to complete.

It is recommended that the District continue discussions with the USDA and WIFA to better understand the issues associated with RD/USDA funding.

WIFA CAPITAL PROGRAM PLUS MISCELANEOUS DISTRICT CIP PROJECTS

- **Project Close Out-** The District staff is gathering the final information needed by EPS to secure the ADEQ Approval of Construction (AOC) to close out some of the earlier projects. EUSI has been following up with EPS and will keep the District advised.

- **New Well**
 - The District Manager will work with EUSI to evaluate cost-effective approaches once the current WIFA project budgets are understood.

- **Strawberry Pipeline Projects**
 - We expect the final two pipeline replacement project budgets to be defined shortly.

During the WIFA project meetings the overall WIFA project list and budgetary allocations are reviewed and updated.

- **Provide and Install Radio Read Water Meters and Software**

- The meter installation project is progressing well. At their current rate of approximately 400-500 meters per month the installation project should be completed in September.
- The District plans to test an initial batch of 10 meters that are being removed to determine their accuracy.
- **State Route 87 – Bradshaw to MR Well Site Waterline**
 - The District held a per-construction meeting with MGC to complete this project. The project will commence following final permitting and delivery of material.
- **Strawberry Lane N – Strawberry Drive E SR87 S Fossil Creek**
and
- **Juniper-Tanner Ralls/Fossil Creek – Wagon Wheel**
 - We expect a final design, ADEQ Approval to Construct, (ATC) and a project budget in late April. These projects will be constructed throughout the summer and be completed in early fall 2020.
- **Portals 2 & 3**
 - There are a few clean up items related to Portal 2. Portal 3 is complete.
- **Canyon Tanks**
 - The tank erection crew is completing the assembly of the second water storage tank. When this tank is completed the contractor will install the site fencing and close out the project. This will more than double the capacity of water storage at this site to over 400,000 gallons.

WIFA Project Meeting Items Review and Action:

- Review the WIFA project list and procurement issues.
- Project status updates are documented.
- WIFA Disbursements are reviewed and processed.
- Project Issues are addressed.
- EUSI personnel accompany District Staff on field site visits and discuss project issues.
- WIFA Assignment Log is updated and maintained.
- Additional DOL/WIFA employee interviews are completed on active projects.
- EUSI staff check on the status of the WIFA Labor Boards