

PINE-STRAWBERRY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

MEETING DATE: July 23, 2020
AGENDA ITEM: 6.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.

Siddharth Mazumdar, from Sunrise Engineering, is heading up the Environmental Assessment which is a USDA requirement. Sunrise Engineering will perform a site visit to make sure they understand the District and water system.

WIFA CAPITAL PROGRAM PLUS MISCELANEOUS DISTRICT CIP PROJECTS

- **Project Close Out- No Update:** The District staff provided 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. The AOC is expected soon.
- **New Well:**
 - It is recommended that the District apply for a new 50% grant from the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) for new deep wells under their Drought Response Program for a Drought Resiliency Project. This program provides up to a \$1,500,000 award to "Increase the reliability of water supplies".
- **Waterline Replacement:**
 - As soon as we finalize the remaining WIFA Loan Funding balance we can determine which waterline is the most critical to replace with the remaining funding.
 - This will require the District to request a project change from the WIFA Board at their October meeting. Our request for change needs to be filed in August to get on their October agenda.

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 replacement project is on schedule to be completed in September.

- Meter Specialist provided a proposal to test the water production well metering and to provide the District with training and their own testing meter. This work has been approved and is being scheduled.
- **State Route 87 – Bradshaw to MR Well Site Waterline**
 - MGC is continuing working on installing the new waterline on Highway 87.
 - The main lines are installed. Testing and disinfection are ongoing.
 - Service line connections are planned in the next week.
 - The tentative schedule is to complete the project in early August.
- **Strawberry Lane N – Strawberry Drive E SR87 S Fossil Creek**
and
- **Juniper-Tanner Ralls/Fossil Creek – Wagon Wheel**
- **Strawberry Pipeline Projects**
 - Task Orders were approved at the June 25th Board meeting.
 - The ADEQ permit for Approval to Construct (ATC) has been submitted. We expect the construction to start in August and be completed in late fall 2020.

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