# **PINE-STRAWBERRY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

 MEETING DATE:
 January 28, 2021

 AGENDA ITEM:
 6.b

 PRESENTER:
 Paul Hendricks

 SUBJECT:
 Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding the Status, Prioritization, and Funding of Capital Projects

#### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: WIFA and USDA PROGRAM(S)

## WIFA Capital Program:

- The District continues to process WIFA disbursements.
- There is one current waterline replacement project under design.
- The other projects are closed or awaiting the final Engineering Reports for ADEQ to issue an Approval of Construction.
- The District is looking at another small waterline replacement project in the Rimview area for a pipeline that has a high frequency of failures, to utilize the remaining WIFA funds. This will require the WIFA Board to approve this new project, as it was not on the previously approved project list.

#### **USDA Capital Program:**

#### Phase 1

- EPS Engineering is finalizing the EJCDC Contract along with their proposed Scope and Fee for:
  - P6: Whispering Pines 2,245 LF 6" PVC- Estimated Project Cost: \$421,083
  - P7: Cool Pines Phase A 4,167 LF 6" PVC Estimated Project Cost: \$805,064
  - EPS to update estimate project costs.
- Sunrise Engineering is finalizing the EJCDC Contract along with their proposed Scope and Fee for:
  - P8: Woodland Heights Phase A 3,739 LF 6" PVC- Estimated Project Cost: \$701,306
  - P9: Woodland Heights Phase B & C 11,631 LF 6" PVC- Estimated Project Cost: \$2,247,109
  - The Engineering contracts for Woodland Height projects have been sent to USDA for review.
- Painted Sky Engineering is finalizing the EJCDC Contract along with their proposed Scope and Fee for:
  - P10: Pine Mountain Acres/Pinion 1,250 LF 6" PVC- Estimated Project Cost: \$234,456
  - P11: White Oak/Cedar Meadows 2,400 LF 6" PVC- Estimated Project Cost: \$450,156
- Sunrise Engineering is finalizing the EJCDC Contract along with their proposed Scope and Fee for:
  - P19: System Wide Water Model- Budget is Estimated at: \$300,000
  - The Engineering contracts for System Wide Water Modeling has been sent to USDA for review.

The District has requested USDA to approve authorization to proceed with the new Strawberry Ranch PZ Deep Well as soon as possible. The **- Estimated Project Cost:** <u>\$1,959,571</u>

## USDA Capital Program

The District Treasurer continues to arrange for the interim financing needed to manage the initial cash flow related to the USDA Loan.

Work is ongoing to complete the required USDA paperwork outlined in the Letter of Commitment, (LOC).

EUSI staff are working to ensure that the District is prepared to move forward with the first phase projects as approved by the Board.

- Well and Water Production Infrastructure-
  - District staff met with Aero Drilling to review the lowering water table issues with the existing wells. It is expected that a program will be developed to improve these wells.
  - MR2 Well equipment has been pulled and the wiring and motor appear to have an electrical fault. Due to problems with this well, District Staff have decided to inspect the well for excess sediment, perhaps clean it and install a smaller pump that may reduce the amount of sediment entering the well.

#### WIFA CAPITAL PROGRAM PLUS MISCELANEOUS DISTRICT CIP PROJECTS

- WIFA-
  - Cool Pines Est Pipe Waterline Replacement Upgrade Phase B & C in Pine:
    - The Water Tank Booster will no longer be needed.
    - The main line will be the water main along US87.
    - The District has asked MGC and their engineer to submit a proposed and draft Task Order for the waterline installation. As soon as this is reviewed and approved by staff it will be submitted to the Board for approval.
  - Pine Creek 2 (Rimview Area):
    - Working with WIFA to obtain approval for the project.
    - Apache Underground Construction will be asked to submit a new JOC for review and approval once WIFA approves the project.

#### WIFA Project Meeting Items Review and Action:

- EUSI is serving, on an interim basis, as the Operator of Record for the District's Public Water System. EUSI has provided a scope and fee proposal to continue to provide these services until District are Certified at the Grade III level.
- 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 and USDA Assignment Logs are updated and maintained.
- Additional DOL/WIFA employee interviews are completed on active projects.
- EUSI staff check on the status of the WIFA Labor Boards
- Scheduling warranty inspections with Superior Tank Solutions for the Canyon tanks in February. The District needs to determine the best means for a warranty inspection for Portals 2 and Portals 3 tanks.