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## **IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE**

(Directors Randy Jenco and Martin Pohll)

Special Meeting August 7, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

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#### **AGFNDA**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Improvements Staff Report
  - A. *Discussion Item* Broken Raw Water Conveyance Pipe from Granlees to Calero Reservoir
  - B. Discussion Item Rio Oso Tank Flow Meter Installation Update
  - C. Discussion Item District Raw Water Report Methodology
  - D. *Discussion Item* Bathymetric Survey of Clementia
  - E. *Discussion Item* RFP for Professional Services for District Engineer and Construction Inspection Services
  - F. Discussion Item Proposed Enhancement of District's Meter Technology/Leak Detection with Advanced Meter Infrastructure (AMI)
  - G. Discussion Item Report on Rio Oso Distribution System Storage Capacity
  - H. *Discussion Item* Proposal to Authorize a Comprehensive Distribution System Study
  - I. Discussion Item Development Update



#### 3. Comments from the Public

If you wish to speak during Comments from the Public or would like to comment regarding an item appearing on the meeting agenda, please complete a public comment card and submit to the Board Secretary prior to Public Comments. We will hold all comments to the Public Comment section.

## 4. Director and Staff Comments/Suggestions

#### 5. Adjournment

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

Date: August 7, 2024

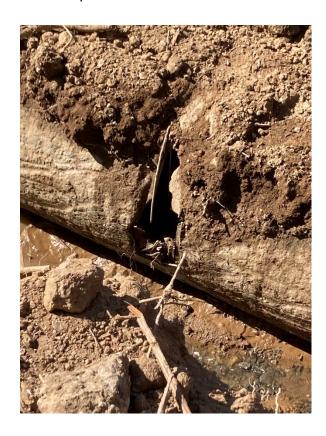
To: Improvements Committee

From: Travis Bohannon – Interim Director of Operations

Subject: Monthly Improvements Committee Updates

#### A. Repair Roken Raw Water Convergance Pipe from Granlees to Calero Reservoir.

On June 20, 2024, it was reported to the District that there was a potential leak in the Clementia spillway. After an investigation, it was believed that the raw water line that takes raw water from the Cosumnes River to Calero reservoir was broken. Since we are not pumping anymore, Staff closed the valve at Calero reservoir to stop the leak. On Monday. July 29, 2024, TNT Industrial Contractors, Inc. (TNT) started the repair on the raw water line. On 8/1/24, the raw water line was exposed and the break was found. TNT will be doing more digging to completely expose the whole pipe. We will not be able to use the same type of pipe to do the repair due to the one (1) year lead time to get a new stick of pipe in the same material. Domenichelli and Associates are coming up with a plan "B" do be able to do the repair.





#### B. Rio Oso Tank Flow Meter Installation Update

This item was discussed with Domenichelli and Associates Staff and they found a meter that will fit around the influent pipe for the Rio Oso tank. They are in the process of getting prices and availability of the flow meters.

#### C. District Raw Water Methodology

See attached report.

#### D. Bathymetric Survey for Clementia Reservoir:

At the July 17, 2024 Board Meeting, Director Butler asked me to inquire about the cost to do a bathymetric survey for Clementia Reservoir. I reached out to Adkins Engineering for a budgetary quote since they did the other to reservoir surveys. There proposal was for an estimated amount of \$28,400, done on a Time and Material basis. If the board decides to move forward with getting the survey done, I will solicit other bids for the survey.

#### E. RFP for Professional Services for District Engineer and Construction Inspection Services:

The district received two bids for Engineering Services. One bid was from Domenichelli and Associates and the other bid was from SNG & Associates. The bids were reviewed and scored by Director Pohll and myself. Below is the scoring sheet for the 2 bids. Staff are is recommending continuing with Domenichnelli and Associates.

MASTER RFP Scoring Matrix for On-Call Professional Services for District Engineer and Construction Inspection Services					
		Respondents (Score Respondants 0-10)			
		Domenichelli & Assoc		SNC	
Criteria	Criteria Weight	Score	Total	Score	Total
1. Understanding of Scope of Work & Project Objectives	10	9	90	7	70
2. Project Approach	20	10	200	6	120
3. Quality of Overall Work Plan	5	8	40	7	35
4. Proposed Project Schedule for Timely Completion of Work	5	10	50	5	25
5. Company Experience Completing Similar Projects	10	10	100	7	70
6. Individual Team Member Experience Completing Similar Projects	10	9	90	6	60
7. Reference Quality - to be scored by one reviewer	5	9	45	8	40
8. Pricing - to be ranked after items #1-7 are complete and fitted between 0-10 based on highest to lowest pricing.	35	0	0	0	0
		Totals:	615	Totals:	420
Rank			1		2

# F. Proposed Enhancement of District's Meter Technology/Leak Detection with Advanced Meter Infrastructure (AMI)

See attached report.

### **G.** Rio Oso Distribution System Storage Capacity

This report is pending a memo from Joe Domenichelli.

## H. Proposal to Authorize a Comprehensive Distribution System Study

This report is pending a memo from Joe Domenichelli.

## I. Development Update

See attached report.

#### **MEMORANDUM**

Date: August 7, 2024

To: Improvements Committee
From: Mimi Morris, General Manager
Subject: Raw Water Storage Lakes

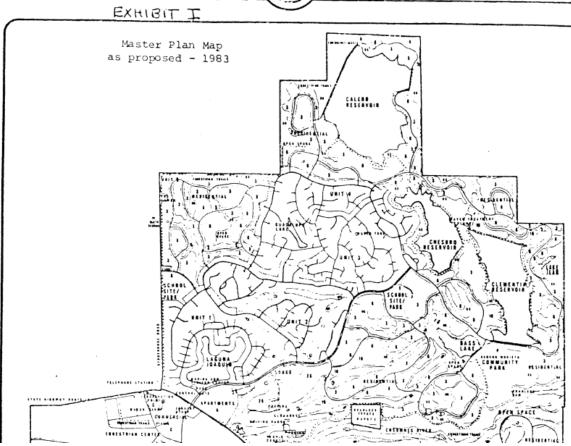
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At the July 17, 2024, Board Meeting, former Board Member John Merchant requested that Clementia Reservoir be excluded from the Raw Water Storage calculations because the inclusion overstates the available supply of potable water.

Staff disagree with this assertion and recommend no action to omit Clementia. Staff recommends this because Clementia has been considered a key part of the overall Rancho Murieta water system since the original Master Plan was developed in 1983. See attachments.

#### Attachment 1





#### MEMORANDUM

Date: August 7, 2024

To: Improvements Committee
From: Mimi Morris, General Manager

Subject: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and Leak Detection Proposal

Since mid-June, staff has been researching Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI). Several providers of AMI technology exist, and they are all an enhancement to the District's current meter data collection methodology which is based on drive-by readings of the meters. The current methodology is not only time-consuming, but also hindered by faulty meters.

Staff has reported out in recent months on "non-read" or "zero-read" meters that require a separate visit to the meter for a manual read or for estimates based on prior months' usage. The District has a variety of meters in place, not all of which are equipped with the technology needed to allow for remote data transmission.

Two vendors have been evaluated, both of which use a dedicated radio frequency to receive meter usage data electronically from throughout the community at one or two collection sites with a base.

Receiver and antennae. Both would require upgrades to our existing meters for them to be able to be read remotely.

One of the vendors offers a unique ultrasonic acoustic leak detection technology that is integrated into their ultrasonic meters. These meters are highly accurate for water usage and the company utilizes the data collection to pinpoint small, mostly undetected and long-standing leaks. These leaks can be the costliest since they are continuous and undetected for months and years.

The one-time overall investment in new meters and the data collection infrastructure is roughly \$900,000 for meters, another \$220 to \$240K for their installation, another \$40-\$50K for the data collection infrastructure, (base device, antennae, etc.) and another \$20K for annual software costs. For a total of almost \$1.2 million fixed costs and ongoing costs of \$20K per year.

The Bureau of Reclamation administers a WaterSmart and Energy Efficiency grant program that includes AMI. Staff are applying for funding before the October 31<sup>st</sup> deadline while also gathering more data regarding the projected costs. Funding decisions occur in May of 2025. Staff are gathering information on the program to determine if costs incurred now could be eligible for reimbursement so that the District could move forward with improved meter reading technology.

The District is less than 100 connections away from 3,000 total connections and the corresponding transition to an Urban Water provider. There are multiple new reporting obligations that will be in play at that time, including annual water loss audits. Planning now for improved leak detection will help us address our current loss rate of 12% (200 acre feet per year) while also improving our overall utility billing accuracy and efficiency.

Staff will continue to evaluate the options and will bring additional information to the board in the coming weeks.

## Summarized Development Report

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599 Lots included in 670
 RMD.001, Retreats West: 22 Lots
      22 Connected Lots
           22 Lots known as s ()
 RMD.002, Retreats N&E: 62 Lots
      62 Connected Lots
           62 Lots known as s ()
 RMD.003, Riverview: 140 Lots
      30 Connected Lots
           2 Lots known as Big Estates (12,000-14,500 sq ft.)
           11 Lots known as Circles (6500-8500 sf)
           10 Lots known as Cottages (<6500 sf)
           5 Lots known as Mini-Estates (8500-12K sf)
           2 Lots known as Mini-Mansions (14,500-24,500 sq ft.)
      110 Planned Lots
           4 Lots known as Big Estates (12,000-14,500 sq ft.)
           42 Lots known as Circles (6500-8500 sf)
           22 Lots known as Cottages (<6500 sf)
           4 Lots known as Mansions (>24,500 sf)
           31 Lots known as Mini-Estates (8500-12K sf)
           7 Lots known as Mini-Mansions (14,500-24,500 sq ft.)
 RMD.004, Residences of Murieta Hills: 198 Lots
      198 Planned Lots
           65 Lots known as Big Estates (12,000-14,500 sq ft.)
           5 Lots known as Mansions ( >24,500 sf)
           99 Lots known as Mini-Estates (8500-12K sf)
           29 Lots known as Mini-Mansions (14,500-24,500 sq ft.)
 RMD.005, Lakeview: 99 Lots
      99 Cancelled Lots
           99 Lots known as s ()
 RMD.008, Murieta Gardens II: 78 Lots
      78 Connected Lots
           78 Lots known as s ()
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