

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SEMITROPIC WATER
STORAGE DISTRICT AND ITS SEMITROPIC,
BUTTONWILLOW, POND-POSO, AND WILDLIFE
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS, AND THE SEMITROPIC WATER
STORAGE DISTRICT GSA

Convened at 12:31 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2026.

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Waterhouse on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, at 12:31 p.m., at the Semitropic Water Storage District (District) office located at 1101 Central Avenue, Wasco, California

Directors Present: Dan Waterhouse, Todd Tracy, Tim Thomson, Chad Carroll, David Daniel, Jeff Fabbri, and Philip Portwood

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: General Manager, Jason Gianquinto
District Engineer, Isela Medina
District Controller, Bobby Salinas
Receptionist, Yesenia Ramirez
District's Legal Counsel, Steve Torigiani
Rick Amigh (W.M. Lyles)
Todd Robbins (Robins Borghei LLP)

President Waterhouse opened the meeting and noted there were no members of the public present at the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ACTION ITEMS

Consider Adoption of Resolution SID 26-01 Approving P-384 TCP Treatment Facility Project including Acceptance of Bid and Award of Contract Task Order to Construct Treatment Facility, determined exempt from CEQA review by staff, and Authorize filing of Notice of Exemption (NOE)

The District's Legal Counsel, Steve Torigiani, reviewed and summarized Resolution No. SID 26-01 Approving P-384 TCP Treatment Facility Project including Acceptance of Bid and Award of Contract Task Order to Construct Treatment Facility, determined exempt from CEQA review by staff, and Authorize filing of Notice of Exemption (NOE). Mr. Torigiani noted that the task order was an amendment to the existing design-build contract between the District and W.M. Lyles relative to the P-384 Distribution System.

Rick Amigh with W.M Lyles provided the Board with an overview of the proposed project and reviewed the site plan and stated that construction pricing assumes construction will begin in July 2026.

On motion by Director Fabbri, seconded by Director Tracy and unanimously carried by roll call vote, the Board adopted Resolution SID 26-01 Approving P-384 TCP Treatment Facility

Project including Acceptance of Bid and Award of Contract Task Order to Construct Treatment Facility, determined exempt from CEQA review by staff, and Authorize filing of Notice of Exemption (NOE).

The President called for a roll call vote on the motion. The following is a record of the roll call vote:

Ayes:	Directors Waterhouse, Thomson, Portwood, Carroll, Daniel, Tracy, and Fabbri
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

Consider Authorizing Offer for Acquisition of Property for the P-384 TCP Treatment Facility

District Engineer, Isela Medina, reviewed the appraisal for the property needed for the construction of the P-384 TCP Treatment facility.

On motion by Director Daniel, seconded by Director Portwood and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Offer for Acquisition of Property for the P-384 TCP Treatment Facility

At p.m. President Waterhouse adjourned the Regular Board meeting, and it was reported that there was a need for the Board to reconvene in closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

- a. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Pending Litigation pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9(d).**
 - 1) Semitropic Water Storage Dist., et al. v. The Dow Chemical Co., et al., Kern County Sup. Ct., Case No. BCV-21-102528
 - 2) Sierra Club, et al., v. DWR, Sacramento County Sup. Ct., Case No. 24WM000008, and related cases, challenging DCP EIR
 - 3) DWR v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Authorization of Delta Conveyance Program Bonds, etc., Sacramento County Sup. Ct., Case No. 25CV000704
- b. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible exposure to litigation pursuant Gov. Code, § 54956.9(d)(2).**
 - 1) Two Items.
- c. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible initiation of litigation pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9(d)(4).**
 - 1) Two Items.

d. Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.8.

District's Designated Representative: General Manager

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

- 1) Property: State Water Project Supplies
 - a. Negotiation With: California Department of Water Resources, Kern County Water Agency and its Member Units, And State Water Contractors
- 2) Property: Acquisition of Water Supplies
 - a. Negotiation with: Multiple sellers
- 3) Property: Various

7. Old Business/Correspondence

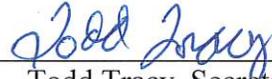
Adjournment

At 3:10 p.m. the Board reconvened to open session. President Waterhouse reported that no reportable action was taken in closed session and adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:



Daniel Waterhouse, President



Todd Tracy, Secretary