

East Valley Reclamation Authority Meeting Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 1:00 PM Valley Sanitary District 45-500 Van Buren Street, Indio CA 92201

*****SPECIAL NOTICE - VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE****

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 4, 2020 and N-29-20 issued on March 18, 2020; the East Valley Reclamation Authority meeting will be conducted remotely through Zoom.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

- 1.1. Roll Call
- 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the time set aside for public comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. Please notify the Secretary in advance of the meeting if you wish to speak on a non-hearing item.

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent calendar items are expected to be routine and noncontroversial, to be acted upon by the Board of Directors at one time, without discussion. If any Board member requests that an item be removed from the consent calendar, it will be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

3.1. Minutes of April 26, 2021 EVRA Meeting

3.1 April 26, 2021 EVRA Minutes.pdf

4. NON-HEARING ITEMS

- 4.1. Adopt Resolution 2021-19 Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Recommendation: Approve
 - 4.1 Fiscal Year 2021-2022 EVRA Budget.pdf
- 4.2. Adopt Resolution 2021-20 Appointing an Administrator and
 Alternate Administrator for the Eat Valley Reclamation
 Authority Recommendation: Approve
 - 4.2 Staff Report Appoint Administrators for EVRA.pdf
 - 4.2 Attachment A Resolution 2021-20.pdf
- 5. GENERAL MANAGERS' REPORT
- 6. AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND/OR QUESTIONS
- 7. ADJOURN

Pursuant to the Brown Act, items may not be added to this agenda unless the Secretary to the Board has at least 72 hours advance notice prior to the time and date posted on this notice.

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UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING April 26, 2021 MINUTES

The East Valley Reclamation Authority conducted this meeting via videoconference in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-29-20 and COVID-19 protocols.

President Glenn Miller called to order the Regular Meeting of the East Valley Reclamation Authority at 1:02 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

Directors Present: President Glenn Miller (City of Indio)

Vice President Dennis Coleman (Valley Sanitary District)

Secretary Elaine Holmes (City of Indio)

Director Scott Sear, Alternate (Valley Sanitary District)

Staff Present: Beverli A. Marshall – General Manager, Valley Sanitary District

Trish Rhay – General Manager, *Indio Water Authority*

Holly Gould – EVRA Clerk of the Board, *Valley Sanitary District* Reymundo Trejo – Assistant General Manager, *Indio Water*

Authority

Ron Buchwald – Engineering Services Manager, Valley Sanitary

District

Brian Kinder – Manager of Finance & Customer Service, *Indio*

Water Authority

Roman Gonzalez – Associate Water Engineer, *Indio Water*

Authority

Guests Present: Brian Villalobos, Geoscience Support Services, Inc.

Logan Wicks, Geoscience Support Services, Inc.

Director Scott Sear joined the meeting at 1:05 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 Minutes of December 2, 2020

It was moved by Secretary Holmes, seconded by Vice President Coleman, and unanimously carried to *ADOPT* the Consent Calendar as submitted.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4.1 Fiscal Year 2019/20 Audited Financial Statements Final **Recommendation**: Receive/File

Brian Kinder, IWA Manager of Finance & Customer Service, presented the fiscal year 2019/20 audited financial statements for the East Valley Reclamation Authority (EVRA). The firm of Lance, Soll & Lunghard LLP conducted the audit. It is their opinion that the annual financial reports present fairly in all material respects. The total net position for all EVRA funds totaled \$259,853, an increase of \$54,263 from the prior year. Revenues from member contributions totaled \$50,000, equal to the amount from the prior year. Revenues from investment earnings totaled \$5,550, an increase of \$2,929 from the prior year. Operating expenses totaled \$1,287, a decrease of \$2,686 from the prior fiscal year. The auditors had no findings for this fiscal year.

4.2 Fiscal Year 2020/21 Midyear Budget Report Final **Recommendation:** Receive/File

Brian Kinder, IWA Manager of Finance & Customer Service, presented the fiscal year 2020/21 Midyear Budget Report Final. As of December 31, 2020, EVRA has spent \$51,220, or 16 percent of the adopted budget. Overall spending is estimated to increase by year end as the spreading and injections capacity project moves forward.

4.3 Favorable Results of the Subsurface Geophysical Survey Resulting in Feasible Groundwater Injection Options and Staff Recommendation on Next Steps to Further Develop the EVRA Recycled Water Project. **Recommendation:** Approve

Reymundo Trejo, IWA Assistant General Manager, and Brian Villalobos of Geoscience Support Services, Inc., presented the Recycled Water Project Update. On December 2, 2020, the EVRA Board authorized an amendment with Geoscience to include a geophysical survey and analysis to determine if subsurface structures (i.e., fault) exist at the VSD site. The results of the survey indicate that well injection appears to be feasible at the VSD site. With the geophysical survey complete, the siting and drilling of a bore hole is the remaining scope to the Geoscience contract. However, staff and Geoscience discussed the next steps as they relate to the development of Indirect Potable Reuse (IPR) projects. The team recommends postponing the bore drilling phase at this time due to several unknown factors related to retention time. The State of CA Division of Drinking Water will consider the results of groundwater modeling as an initial estimate of recycled water travel time for considering potential project impacts. The team sees value in facilitating a project overview meeting with Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to discuss the EVRA Recycled Water Project. The purpose of the meeting is to seek input from the regulators and understand the technical requirements such as a groundwater model, a salt nutrient management plan, and any specific studies necessary for a full-scale project approval. This meeting will help the team further refine a program development work-plan, supported by the permitting agencies, and will ensure that EVRA's program development expenditures align with the permitting requirements.

It was moved by Secretary Holmes, seconded by Vice President Coleman, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** staff to meet with the Regional Water Quality Control Board and the State Water Resources Control Board to present the EVRA Reuse Project and determine

permitting requirements related to Injecting Recycled Water in the basin.

5. **GENERAL MANAGERS' REPORT**

Trish Rhay, IWA, informed the board that IWA has many projects underway, including the Salt and Nutrient Plan and the Urban Water Management Plan.

Beverli Marshall, Valley Sanitary District, updated the EVRA board on Phase I of the District's plant expansion. Staff is currently working on a SRF loan to help fund the project. She stated that the VSD Board of Directors remains committed to the Recycled Water Project.

6. AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND/OR QUESTIONS

The members expressed their excitement to see the progress of this project and great the teamwork between IWA and VSD. They thanked staff and Geoscience for a great report and outstanding presentation.

7. <u>ADJOURN</u>

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting **ADJOURNED** at 2:16 p.m.

Holly Gould EVRA Clerk of the Board Approved:



SUBMITTAL TO THE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Meeting June 29, 2021

FROM:

EVRA JPA Staff

SUBJECT:

Resolution Adopting Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Adopt Resolution of the East Valley Reclamation Authority adopting the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget and authorizing expenditures and appropriations.

SUMMARY: The Joint Powers Agreement establishing the East Valley Reclamation Authority provides that the Board shall prepare and adopt annual budgets for its operation. Staff has prepared the budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, which is attached to this report as **Exhibit A**. EVRA Staff recommends that the Board adopt the budget by Resolution (**Exhibit B**) in the amount of \$148,500 as detailed in the budget.

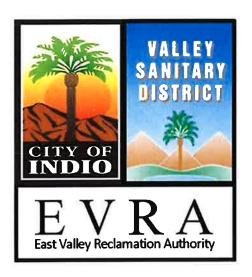
Prepared by:

Trish Rhay, General Manager

Indio Water Authority

	Account Number	Dollars
Costs associated with this action		\$148,500
Current Fiscal Year Budget		\$0

Legal Review			
City of Indio Review	Trish Rhay	- 500	
Valley Sanitary District Review	Beverli Marshall	\	Page 6 of 13



East Valley Reclamation Authority Recommended Operating Budget Fiscal Year 2021-22

Governing Board Members

Glenn Miller, President (City of Indio)

Dennis Coleman, Vice President (Valley Sanitary District)

Elaine Holmes, Secretary (City of Indio)

William Teague, Treasurer (Valley Sanitary District)

EVRA Management Staff

Beverli Marshall, General Manager (Valley Sanitary District)
Trish Rhay, General Manager (Indio Water Authority)
Brian M. Kinder, Finance Manager (Indio Water Authority)

1. BUDGET INTRODUCTION

The East Valley Reclamation Authority (EVRA) was formed on December 18, 2013 with joint partnering agencies, the City of Indio-Indio Water Authority (the City of Indio's municipal water supplier), and Valley Sanitary District (wastewater provider for serving Indio).

The purpose of the EVRA is to develop and implement a planning, programming, funding, construction and operation strategy for a joint reclaimed/recycled water facility. This joint project will allow IWA to provide either recycled water for non-potable use or treated water for groundwater replenishment. Both uses will reduce the City of Indio's overall dependence on existing groundwater supply.

2. REVENUE

For fiscal year 2021-22, EVRA will acquire revenue totaling \$50,000 which will be contributed equally from each partnering agency (\$25,000 each). An expected ending fund balance from fiscal year 2020-21 of \$191,967 will bring the total operating fund balance available to \$241,967 for fiscal year 2021-22. EVRA will also continue to seek grant funding as needed for future projects during the upcoming fiscal year

3. EXPENDITURES AND USES

Total expenses are proposed to be \$148,500, which will be allocated towards legal fees, spreading and injection capacity project, office supplies, professional dues to recycled water association, Board stipends, and meetings and travel for both the Board and Management staff to attend recycled water conferences and meetings.

	Recommended Budget FY 2021-22
REVENUE	
Indio Water Authority	25,000
Valley Sanitary District Total Revenue	<u>25,000</u> 50,000

REVENUE SUMMARY

Total Expenditures

Estimated Ending Fund Balance

Source of Funds Program Revenue	50,000
Prior Year Fund Balance	191,967
Total Sources of Funds	\$241,967
EXPENSES / USE OF FUNDS	
Board Stipends	2,400
Professional Services/ Legal Services	10,000
Spreading and injection capabilities project (Rollover From 2021)	125,000
Audit Fees	3,500
Travel and Training	5,000
Dues and Publications	2,000
Office Supplies	600

The East Valley Reclamation Authority looks forward to a productive and success FY 2021-22.

148,500

\$93,467

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-19

RESOLUTION OF THE EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY ADOPTING THE 2021-22 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES AND APPROPRIATIONS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the East Valley Reclamation Authority (the "Authority") is a joint powers authority duly organized and existing under and pursuant to Articles 1 through 4 (commencing with Section 6500), Chapter 5, Division 7, Title 1 of the California Government Code (the "Act") pursuant to that certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2013, (the "Joint Powers Agreement"), by and between the City of Indio (the "City") and the Valley Sanitary District (the "District");

WHEREAS, the proposed 2021-22 budget provides for service levels necessary to respond to the high standards of the community which are deemed appropriate by the Authority and concurrently provides a work force to accomplish them; and

WHEREAS, the Authority intends to use the recommended 2021-22 budget as a guide for determining Authority priorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The above recitals, and each of them, are true and correct.
- Section 2. The proposed 2021-22 budget, as detailed in the budget document entitled "East Valley Reclamation Authority Fiscal Year 2020-21 Recommended Operating Budget," and filed with the Secretary, and as summarized below is hereby adopted:

Year Ending June 30

Authorized Expenditures

FY 2021-22

\$148,500

- Section 3. The Authority members recognizes that the recommended fiscal year 2021-22 budget will require adjustments from time to time, and accordingly, the Board or their designee is authorized to redistribute allocated budgeted amounts within or between agencies.
- Section 4. The Board President shall sign this resolution and the Secretary shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption thereof.
 - Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, and **ADOPTED** this 29th day of June 2021, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

	GLENN MILLER, BOARD PRESIDENT
ATTEST:	
HOLLY GOULD,	



SUBMITTAL TO THE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Meeting June 29, 2021

TO: EVRA Board of Directors

FROM: EVRA JPA Staff

SUBJECT: Appointment of East Valley Reclamation Authority Administrator and

Alternate Administrator

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff recommends that the Board adopt a resolution for the appointment of Beverli Marshall of Valley Sanitary District as Administrator and Trish Rhay of Indio Water Authority as Alternate Administrator of the East Valley Reclamation Authority.

SUMMARY: Recently staff realized that there is a need for a staff person who could be a signatory for EVRA as an administrator. To facilitate the duties of the East Valley Reclamation Authority, it is requested that the Board appoints an administrator and alternate administrator in accordance with Section 4.2 and 4.3 of the Joint Power Agreement. Staff recommends that the Board appoint Beverli Marshall of Valley Sanitary District as Administrator and Trish Rhay of Indio Water Authority as Alternate Administrator effective July 1, 2021. In accordance with Section 4.3, the term for this officer shall be no longer than one calendar year from January 1 to December 31. Staff recommends that these positions be reappointed by the Board in December 2021 effective January 1, 2022.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: None.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS: No fiscal impact with this motion.

Prepared by:
Ronald Buchwald, PE
VSD Engineering Services Manager

Attachment A: Resolution 2021-20

	Account Number	Dollars
Costs associated with this action		\$0
Current Fiscal Year Budget		\$0

Legal Review	N/A
City of Indio Review	
Valley Sanitary District Review	Box

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY APPOINTING AN ADMINISTRATOR AND AN ALTERNATE ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, the East Valley Reclamation Authority (the "Authority") is a joint powers authority duly organized and existing under and pursuant to Articles 1 through 4 (com1mencing with Section 6500), Chapter 5, Division 7, Title 1 of the California Government Code (the "Act") pursuant to that certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement, dated as of December 18, 2013, (the "Joint Powers Agreement"), by and between the City of Indio (the "City") and the Valley Sanitary District (the "District");

WHEREAS, the Board of the Authority desires to appoint an administrator and an alternate administrator to carry out the administrative and signatory functions of the East Valley Reclamation Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE EAST VALLEY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals, and each of them, are true and correct.

Section 2. The Authority hereby appoints Beverli Marshall of Valley Sanitary District as Administrator and Trish Rhay of Indio Water Authority as Alternate Administrator of East Valley Reclamation Authority.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect July 1, 2021.

Elaine Holmes, Secretary

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 29th day of June 2021, by the following roll call vote:

	AYES: NAYS: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	
		Glenn Miller, President
ATTEST:		