

RESOURCE AND ENGINEERING PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES February 7, 2019

A meeting of the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee was held on Thursday, February 07, 2019 at 10:02 a.m. at the District Office, 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado.

Chairman Mitchell announced a quorum was present.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Curtis Mitchell - Chairman, Seth Clayton - Vice-Chairman
Andy Colosimo, Tom Goodwin, and James Broderick

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED:

Gibson Hazard

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jenny Bishop, Colorado Springs Utilities; Bill Long, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (District); Garrett Markus, Kevin Meador, Leann Noga, and Chris Woodka, District staff.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Mitchell asked for approval of the January 3, 2019 minutes, and if there were any corrections or additions. Hearing none, Seth Clayton moved, seconded by Andy Colosimo, to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

PUEBLO DAM HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT UPDATE

Kevin Meador provided a PowerPoint presentation on the progress of the Pueblo Dam Hydroelectric Project (PDHP). The PDHP continues to progress towards an end of March 2019 testing date for start-up. A start-up plan has been approved by Reclamation and District staff continues to work on finalizing an operator agreement and facilities maintenance agreement.

The Pueblo Dam Hydroelectric Project Monthly Construction Report dated January 14, 2019 by Sorenson Engineering was provided to the Committee. The report addressed December 2018 work progress, construction notes, items critical to schedule, materials testing, photographs, and other items of interest.

ACTION ITEMS:

PUEBLO DAM HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT POWER SCHEDULING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES AND SECWAE

Kevin Meador informed the Committee that Colorado Springs Utilities (Utilities), in its role as the scheduling agent, will provide the power scheduling services necessary to enable the energy produced from the hydro project to be delivered from the interconnection point to the

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delivery point. This includes reservation of short-term firm transmission service on behalf of the Enterprise. Utilities will provide these services at no cost to the Enterprise.

Tom Goodwin moved, seconded by Seth Clayton, to recommend approval of the Scheduling Services Agreement with Colorado Springs Utilities for the Pueblo Dam Hydroelectric Project. The motion passed unanimously.

PUEBLO DAM HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT AMENDATORY LEASE OF POWER PRIVILEGE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SECWAE

The Amendatory Lease of Power Privilege (LoPP) amends and replaces the original LoPP executed in August 2017. The Amendatory LoPP was prepared to reflect and define changes made to the project during final design and construction. The major revisions included:

1. The Auto Control Valve provision of the LoPP was redefined to include the Pueblo Dam Hydroelectric Project (PDHP) as a “functional equivalent” to auto control valves.
2. Blind flanges and mechanical pipe plugs were added to the project for emergency isolation of the North Outlet Works delivery manifold to maintain flows to the Southern Delivery System (SDS) project.
3. A Cathodic Protection System was added to the project.
4. Operation and Maintenance provisions were clarified.
5. The Lease Area descriptions were updated to reflect actual constructed conditions.

Seth Clayton moved, seconded by Jim Broderick, to recommend approval of the Amendatory Lease of Power Privilege. Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURN

Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Garrett J. Markus, P.E.

Water Resources Engineer