

Date: Monday, January 27, 2020

From: Nina Hawk, COO

DCA Board of Directors Meeting held Thursday, January 16, 2020

Report out for Director Estremera

Delta Conveyance Design and Construction (DCA) – At the January 16, 2020 meeting, the Board **approved or discussed** the items:

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Stakeholder Engagement Committee Update

Kathryn Mallon, DCA Executive Director reported out for Ms. Nazli Parvizi, DCA Stakeholder Engagement noting that the committee will have a follow-up on the discussion from previous meeting topics and ask the committee questions and we have them answered as follow-up. Everyone has been extremely helpful and we have built many cooperative relationships. People are getting more comfortable with their true feelings and opinions. The public is welcome and live streaming is available.

b. January DCA Monthly Report

Kathryn Mallon, DCA Executive Director indicated that the current year expenditure plan would be about \$50 million, relative to a budget of \$85 million. In addition, she indicated the three-year plan remains at \$350 million. No new requests for procurements were submitted. Ms. Mallon signed a task order to initiate the development of the new website. It will take 4-6 months and we will have a fully revamped website ready to go.

c. Consider Passing Resolution to Amend the DCA Bylaws

Joshua Nelson, Interim General Counsel stated that under the proposed edits to the Bylaws, the Executive Director may delegate authority to any DCA staff member through a writing that outlines the scope and timeframe of the delegation. A copy of the delegation will be provided to the Board of Directors.

Resolution was unanimously approved.

d. 980 9th Street DCA Build-out Update

Jennifer Malone, Facilities Manager gave a presentation on the new facilities. Move-in dates are as follows:

- 24th Floor – Move in date January 27, 2020
- 23rd Floor – Move in anticipated late February 2020
- 1st Floor – Move in anticipated in late March, 2020

The April Board meeting will be the first Board meeting in the new facilities.

8. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. General Counsel's Report

Joshua Nelson, Interim General Counsel wanted to remind everyone that now that we're in 2020 we have another round of Form 700 and they are due April 1, 2020. You should have received an email and you can submit your Form 700 electronically.

b. Treasurer's Report

Katano Kasaine, Treasurer reported that she will be submitting the annual financial transaction report to the state next week for the DCA. All other information on the financials is in the packet.

c. DWR Environmental Manager's Report

Carolyn Buckman, DWR Environmental Manager reported that DWR is developing a Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Delta Conveyance project, which will start the scoping period under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). During the scoping period, DWR will gather input from the public and agencies on the potential environmental impacts of a conveyance project and a range of alternatives, including a no-project alternative. DWR also released an Initial Study/proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for soil investigations in the Delta to support the environmental review process and inform potential project locations. The IS/MND was released on November 20, 2019; based on public requests, we extended the close of public comments from December 20, 2019 to January 15, 2020.

They have received 22 comment letters so far; however, they may receive more via regular mail. The responses are from Tribes, local government, non-governmental organizations, state and local agencies, and individuals.

On January 15, 2020, DWR released the NOP for the DCA Project to initiate the environmental review process. Comments are due March 20, 2020.

On February 12, 2020 at Valley Water Headquarters, DWR will hold a scoping meeting on the Environmental Review process. Other scoping dates and locations are as follows:

- Monday, February 3, 2020, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. California Environmental Protection Agency Building, 1001 I Street Sacramento
- Wednesday, February 5, 2020, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Junipero Serra State Building, 320 West Fourth Street, Los Angeles
- Monday, February 10, 2020, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Jean Harvie Community Center, 14273 River Road, Walnut Grove
- Thursday, February 13, 2020, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. San Joaquin Council of Governments Board Room, 555 Weber Avenue, Stockton
- Wednesday, February 19, 2020, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Clarksburg Middle School Auditorium, 52870 Netherlands Road, Clarksburg
- Thursday, February 20, 2020, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Brentwood Community Center Conference Room, 35 Oak Street, Brentwood

Public Comment: Ms. Misour (not sure of the spelling of name) stated that the floor plans from the new building were insulting that they are named after communities that we believe will be destroyed by this tunnel project and in addition, the War Room fits because I believe that this project is a war on the Delta and having a war room kind of confirms that too.

I work with Local agencies in the north delta and other folks in the delta and we are very disappointed to see the release of the NOP. After a whole year of pause to apparently try and look at better ways to do a better project that would fit into the delta better and do less damage to the delta. Basically, had a whole year spent with no interface at all on what the alternatives could be besides a tunnel and the we have a NOP that has all the same intakes and all the same locations.

Future agenda items

Sarah Palmer, Director, requested to have:

- Have more discussion on the NOP
- Public demo of the website
- Succession planning

The next meeting of the DCA will be on Thursday, February 20, 2020, at 2:00 pm at the Sacramento Public Library, Tsakopoulos Library Galleria 828 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

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