



AGENDA

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

Special Board Meeting No. 6-23

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

1:00 PM (MT) / Noon (PT)

Brad Little

Governor

Jeff Raybould

Chairman

St. Anthony

At Large

Jo Ann Cole-Hansen

Vice Chair

Lewiston

At Large

Dean Stevenson

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District 2

Brian Olmstead

Twin Falls

At Large

Marcus Gibbs

Grace

District 4

Patrick McMahon

Sun Valley

At Large

Water Center
Conference Rooms 602 C & D / Zoom Online
322 E. Front St.
BOISE

Board Members & the Public may participate via Zoom

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Dial in Option: 1(253) 215-8782

Meeting ID: 891 6724 5253 Passcode: 290694

1. Roll Call
2. Executive Session: Board will meet pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1) subsection (f) to communicate with legal counsel regarding legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. Topics: Priest Lake Dam Modification Project Litigation. Closed to the public; no actions taken during executive session.
3. Priest Lake Dam Modification Project*
4. UIC Rule-Making*
5. Non-Action Items for Discussion
6. Next Meeting & Adjourn

* Action Item: A vote regarding this item may be made at this meeting. Identifying an item as an action item on the agenda does not require a vote to be taken on the item. **Americans with Disabilities:** If you require special accommodations to attend, participate in, or understand the meeting, please make advance arrangements by contacting Department staff by email jennifer.strange@idwr.idaho.gov or by phone at (208) 287-4800.

Memorandum



To: Idaho Water Resource Board

From: Mike Morrison

Date: August 14, 2023

Re: Priest Lake Outlet Dam Improvements Project: Request for approval of funds to complete construction during the 2023-2024 construction season.

REQUIRED ACTION: The Board will consider approval of a resolution to fund the costs of completing construction of the Priest Lake Outlet Dam Improvements Project.

Background: In August 2020 the Board approved expenditure of \$5,000,000 for the Priest Lake Outlet Dam Improvements Project (Project) and for the Priest Lake Thorofare Improvements Project. The Priest Lake Thorofare Improvements Project was completed satisfactorily in 2021 at a cost of \$2,111,787.81.

The Board approved an additional \$450,000 for work not contemplated in the original contract (Change Order No. 3) in October, 2021.

Strider Construction, Inc. of Bellingham Washington (Strider) was unable to complete work on the dam during the winter 2020-2021 construction season and the Board approved extension of work into a second winter construction season (2021-2022). Strider was unable to complete work in the second season, and in July 2022 notified the Board that it was terminating work without completing the Project.

Since then, the Board pre-qualified two contractors and received bids from both contractors on July 24th, 2023. Northbank Civil and Marine, LLC's bid of \$4,355,000.00 was the lowest bid.

Northbank Civil and Marine, LLC will complete work not completed by the previous contractor, including replacement of 11 Tainter gate J-Seals, extension of a portion of the concrete apron below the dam, placement of additional armor stone beneath the dam, and various minor improvements and repairs. This work will be completed during Season 3 (Winter 2023-2024).

At its July 2023 Board meeting, the Board approved expenditure of \$500,000 to cover engineering and construction management services from Mott MacDonald, Inc. through the end of construction (Board Resolution 24-2023).

Board Resolution: Staff requests that the Board consider approval of the attached resolution authorizing expenditure of up to \$4,500,000 from Water Management Account to defray the costs of construction.

Milestones and Tentative Timeline

- July 24, 2023: Deadline for construction contractors to submit bids.
- Sept 2023: Contractor begins work.
- November 1, 2023: In-Water Work begins.
- April 2024: Outlet Dam Modifications complete.

Attachment(s)

- Resolution to authorize expenditure of up to \$4,500,000 from the Water Management Account.

BEFORE THE IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE PRIEST LAKE
OUTLET DAM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

RESOLUTION TO FUND COSTS TO
COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
PRIEST LAKE OUTLET DAM
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

1 WHEREAS, since August 2020, the Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) has either expended or
2 committed approximately \$3.1 million for engineering and construction work on the Priest Lake Outlet
3 Dam Improvements Project (Project); and
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5 WHEREAS, construction was performed during the winter months of 2020-2021 and 2021-2022
6 but not completed; and
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8 WHEREAS, in July 2022 the construction contractor notified the Board that it was terminating
9 work without completing the Project; and
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11 WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023 the Board received bids from two pre-qualified contractors to
12 complete the Project during the winter months of 2023-2024; and
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14 WHEREAS, the lowest responsive bid was submitted by Northbank Civil and Marine, Inc. of
15 Vancouver Washington for \$4,355,000.00; and
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17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the IWRB authorizes the expenditure of funds not to
18 exceed \$4,500,000.00 from the Water Management Account to cover the costs of construction and to
19 establish a small contingency fund.

DATED this 16th day of August 2023

Jeff Raybould, Chairman
Idaho Water Resource Board

ATTEST _____
Dean Stevenson, Secretary

Resolution No. _____