

July 14, 2021

Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority
Board of Directors

Subject: ***Final Materials for the July 15, 2021 Regular Board Meeting***

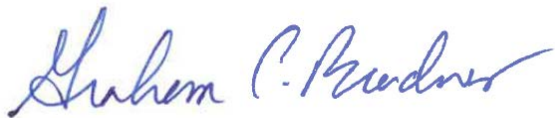
Members of the Board:

The next regular meeting of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors is scheduled for **Tomorrow, July 15, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. (Closed Session)** and will be held completely online via conference line and video through Ring Central (Zoom). The call-in and video information is provided in the attached agenda and a link will also be posted on the dcdca.org website.

Please note that given the current COVID-19 guidelines, the DCA will comply with public health recommendations regarding public meetings and social distancing efforts. Any meeting changes or cancellation will be communicated.

Enclosed are the final materials for the Board meeting in a PDF file, which has been bookmarked for your convenience.

Regards,



Graham Bradner
DCA Executive Director

**DELTA CONVEYANCE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, July 15, 2021

1:30 p.m.

Teleconference Meeting Only; No Physical Meeting Location
(Authorized by Executive Order N-08-21)

Additional information about participating by telephone or via the remote meeting solution is
available here: <https://www.dcdca.org>

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AGENDA

In compliance with the Governor's Executive Order N-08-21, the meeting will be held electronically only through the listed meeting link and telephone number. Assistance to those wishing to participate in the meeting in person or remotely will be provided to those requiring accommodations for disabilities in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Interested person must request the accommodation as soon as possible in advance of the meeting by contacting the DCA support staff at (888) 853-8486 or info@dcdca.org. Members of the public may speak regarding items on the agenda when recognized by the Chair as set forth below. Speakers are limited to three minutes each; however, the Chair may limit this time when reasonable based on the circumstances. Persons wishing to provide public comment remotely on Agenda Items should complete a public comment request form at: <https://tinyurl.com/dcapubliccomment> by 2:15 pm. Additional information will be provided at the commencement of the meeting.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **CLOSED SESSION – OPEN SESSION TO FOLLOW AT APPROXIMATELY 2:00 P.M.**
 - a. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: 1 case
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public may address the Authority on matters that are within the Authority's jurisdiction whether they are on or off the agenda. Speakers are limited to three minutes each; however, the Chair may limit this time when reasonable based on the circumstances. Persons wishing to speak may do so

remotely through the electronic meeting link or teleconference number when recognized by the Chair. Parties wishing to provide remote public comment on Agenda Items should complete a public comment request form at: <https://tinyurl.com/dcapubliccomment> by 2:15 p.m.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- (a) June 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the Board of Directors and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a director so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

- (a) None.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- (a) July DCA Monthly Report
Recommended Action: Information Only
- (b) Initial DCA FY 21/22 Budget Adjustment
Recommended Action: Adopt by Minute Order
- (c) SEC Update
Recommended Action: Information Only

9. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (a) General Counsel's Report
- (b) DWR Environmental Manager's Report
- (c) Verbal Reports, if any

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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Next scheduled meeting: September 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting at 2:00 p.m. (1:30 p.m. if there is a closed session) and will be held on-line through videoconference (the DCA Board Room, Park Tower, 980 9th Street, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95814 is temporarily closed)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 17th, 2021

1:30 PM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors was called to order remotely - Conference Access Information: Phone Number: (916)262-7278 1489963619# <https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1489963619> at 1:30pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Board members in attendance were Richard Atwater, Martin Milobar, Tony Estremera, Sarah Palmer, Gary Martin, Robert Cheng, and Adnan Anabtawi constituting a quorum of the Board.

DCA staff members in attendance were Graham Bradner, Joshua Nelson, and Katano Kasaine.

Department of Water Resources (DWR) staff member in attendance was Carrie Buckman.

3. CLOSES SESSION

(a) Public Employment

Title: Executive Director

Mr. Nelson reported Mr. Graham Bradner has been appointed Executive Director of the DCA for Management Partners with a 7-0 vote.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Richard Atwater convened the open session at approximately 2:00 p.m. and led all present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Atwater opened Public Comment, one request was submitted.

Curt Taras, Infrastructure Improvement Inc., offered comments regarding their written requests for reimbursement costs related to the Program Management contract they submitted a proposal for. Mr. Taras asked to reach an agreement with the DCA to resolve this issue.

President Atwater closed Public Comment.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Recommendation: Approve the May 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Motion to Approve Minutes from May 20, 2021 as

Noted: Palmer

Second: Estremera

Yeas: Atwater, Milobar, Estremera, Palmer, Martin, Cheng, Anabtawi

Nays: None

Abstains: None

Recusals: None

Absent: None

Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as MO 21-06-01).

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a) June DCA Monthly Report

Mr. Bradner highlighted DCA work performed in the past month, focusing on fiscal year budgets and the Engineering team working on updates to the conceptual design and documentation. Fieldwork is ongoing, with 25 explorations since April. There have been significant delays due to permitting and entry access. Many locations will be deferred until access to properties is granted. Mr. Bradner discussed the budget summary, tracking an estimated underrun of approximately \$2.45M for FY 2020/2021.

b) Adopt DCA FY 21/22 Budget

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution Approving DCA FY 21/22 Budget

Mr. Bradner provided an overview of DCA FY 21/22 Budget. Mr. Bradner provided a detailed break-down of the costs for each functional lead including Executive Office, Community Engagement, Program Controls, Administration, Property and Permitting Management, additional PMO Functions, Engineering, and Fieldwork. Mr. Bradner highlighted the contract vendors that will be utilized for their services. The projected \$2.45M current budget underrun will be moved to FY 21/22 Executive Office budget category under the 'Undefined Allowance' line item until it is reallocated for additional scope items. Total budget being proposed is \$21.5M for the next fiscal year.

Mr. Anabtawi referenced the PMO budget, asking if Sustainability is something the DCA anticipates coming on in the future. Mr. Bradner noted that we will have line items established that are not currently funded. We will bring Sustainability back in the future when the time and budget permits for it. Mr. Anabtawi asked if the delayed Fieldwork will be caught up by FY 21/22. Mr. Bradner said there are variables related to the entry process that could cause future delays.

Mr. Cheng asked what is intended for the \$2.45M underrun being moved to the next fiscal year. Mr. Bradner responded that some money will be allocated for the facility studies scope and the remainder will stay in reserve contingency until needed.

Ms. Palmer requested clarification if the DCA will be building a reserve contingency. Mr. Bradner confirmed in case other items come up during the next fiscal year.

Mr. Bradner noted once FY 20/21 is closed, the accurate underrun will be incorporated into the FY 21/22 budget and brought to the Board for approval.

Move to Adopt FY 21/22 Budget by Minute Order

as Noted: Anabtawi
 Second: Palmer
 Yeas: Atwater, Milobar, Estremera, Palmer, Martin, Cheng, Anabtawi
 Nays: None
 Abstains: None
 Recusals: None
 Absent: None
 Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as Minute Order 21-06-02).

c) Pass Resolution to Adopt Updated Investment Policy

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution Updating Investment Policy

Ms. Kasaine presented the key changes to the Investment Policy.

Mr. Cheng asked if this Investment Policy is like Metropolitan's (MET) Investment Policy. Ms. Kasaine responded that it is slightly different.

Move to Pass Resolution Adopting Updated Investment Policy

as Noted: Martin
 Second: Milobar
 Yeas: Atwater, Milobar, Estremera, Palmer, Martin, Cheng, Anabtawi
 Nays: None
 Abstains: None
 Recusals: None
 Absent: None
 Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as Resolution 21-05).

d) Pass Resolution to Adopt Updated Ethics Policy and Protest Policy

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution Updating Ethics Policy and Protest Policy

Mr. Nelson noted the various minor changes in these policies that can be referenced in the redline version included in the Board packet. Legal and the DCA reviewed these documents.

Mr. Taras, Infrastructure Improvement Inc., felt they submitted a timely protest for their disqualification related to the DCA's Program Management solicitation and were unhappy with

the outcome. Mr. Taras recommended the protests procedure include a hearing in front of DCA Board and disclosure of procurement documents related to the protests.

Move to Pass Resolution Adopting Updated Ethics Policy and Protest Policy

as Noted: Palmer

Second: Milobar

Yeas: Atwater, Milobar, Estremera, Palmer, Martin, Cheng, Anabtawi

Nays: None

Abstains: None

Recusals: None

Absent: None

Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as Resolution 21-06).

e) **DCA Board of Directors Meeting Cadence**

Mr. Bradner discussed potential Board meeting cadence options including monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly, and twice yearly. Mr. Bradner noted that special Board meetings can be added, and meetings can be canceled as needed. Additionally, the Board can choose to change the meeting cadence again in the future.

Ms. Palmer offered her suggestion of meeting bi-monthly with the option to cancel if there are no agenda items. Ms. Palmer felt quarterly or twice a year would not be consistent enough. Ms. Palmer suggested the Board meet in July and begin the bi-monthly meeting cadence after that.

Mr. Milobar echoed the suggestion of meeting bi-monthly.

Mr. Martin agreed with the bi-monthly Board meeting cadence. Mr. Martin recommended the Board keep the third Thursday of the month available on their calendars if a special meeting needs to be called.

Mr. Martin asked if we would continue to meet virtually for Board meetings now that the state has opened. Mr. Nelson noted the Governor's Executive Order issued, allowing for remote only work through September 30th. Staff is recommending we continue to meet remotely until this date. The DCA is exploring hybrid meeting options for after September 30th. If the Board would like to meet in person sooner, this can be arranged.

Mr. Bradner emphasized that monthly Board reports will continue to be provided despite changes in the Board meeting cadence.

Motion to Approve DCA Board of Directors Meeting Cadence as

Noted: Estremera

Second: Palmer

Yeas: Atwater, Milobar, Estremera, Palmer, Martin, Cheng, Anabtawi

Nays: None

Abstains: None

Recusals: None

Absent: None

Summary: 7 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent. (Motion passed as MO 20-6-02).

9. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. General Counsel's Report

A written report was provided in the Board package. Mr. Nelson gave an update on CalOSHA mask requirements. DCA's HR Director is working closely with staff to ensure we remain in compliance.

b. Treasurer's Report

A written report was provided in the Board package. Ms. Kasaine noted as of June 9, the DCA has a cash balance of approximately \$694K. The schedules are attached to the Board packet.

c. DWR Environmental Manager's Report

A written report was provided in the Board package. Ms. Buckman highlighted that DWR has posted the published report of the Environmental Justice (EJ) survey to their website. Additionally, DWR will be hosting 4 upcoming technical webinars to inform the public and interested stakeholders about the current progress related to preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Ms. Palmer requested the dates of the technical webinars be added to the DCA website. Ms. Buckman confirmed this has been done.

d. Verbal Reports

Ms. Palmer welcomed new Alternate Director John Weed, representing Alameda County Water District (Class 2).

Mr. Weed provided an overview of his education and work background and looks forward to working on this project.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

President Atwater adjourned the meeting at 2:40p.m., remotely - Conference Access Information:
Phone Number: (916)262-7278 Access Code: 1489963619#
<https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1489963619>



DCA

DELTA CONVEYANCE DESIGN
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Monthly Board Report

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Agenda Item 8a

JULY 2021

(ACTIVITIES IN JUNE)

Section 1 | Work Performed

Program Management. The team continues to support implementation of the Program Management Information System. The team has focused on streamlining processes and prioritized efficient execution of workflows. We have also continued to update Management Plans to reflect changes in Program Management policies and procedures as our workflows evolve.

- Continued to update Standard Operating Procedures providing step by step guidance to activities described in Management Plans
- Worked with Senior Management to finalize the draft FY21/22 budget and begin closeout of FY20/21
- Support development of Task Orders and Purchase Orders for FY21/22

Administration. The team continued to support Administrative functions including IT support, virtual meetings, COVID response/preparedness.

- Planned and hosted June Board of Directors Meetings
- DCA Website updates
- Planning activities for future hybrid public meetings
- FY21/22 Budget/Task Order activities
- SOP Development
- Assisted remote workforce

Engineering. The engineering team was primarily focused on providing updated draft Engineering Project Reports (EPRs) for the Central and Eastern Corridors and the Bethany Reservoir Alternative. The updated draft EPRs included new and revised Final Draft technical memoranda (TMs) and conceptual drawings. The team was also focused on coordinating with the environmental team on environmental impact analyses.

- Reviewed draft environmental impact methods, as requested, and responded to requests for information from the environmental team
- Submitted revised draft versions of EPRs, GIS files, and select TMs and conceptual drawings, as needed
- Continued hydraulic modeling and documentation for the intakes and Twin Cities Complex
- Continued updating construction equipment summaries for environmental analysis per updated conceptual drawings

- Continued development of information related to anticipated electrical loads for construction and project operations

Field Work. Continued the spring exploration program

- Continued support of right of way negotiations and property access documentation
- Conducted pre-construction site clearance surveys and nesting bird surveys based on drilling schedule
- Continued completion of geotechnical borings and Cone Penetration Tests based on drilling schedule
- Continued performing laboratory testing on samples collected from geotechnical borings
- Continued collection of existing subsurface data from other local projects for consideration in subsurface conditions



Section 1 | One Month Look-Ahead (July 2021 Activities)



Program Management

- Execute Task Orders and Purchase Orders for FY21/22
- Continue close-out activities for FY20/21 Task Orders and Purchase Orders
- Continuing focus on streamlining refining processes and workflows
- Continuing development of Standard Operating Procedures to provide step by step guidance to activities described in Management Plans

Administration

- Support execution of FY21/22 Task Orders and Purchase Orders
- Continuing support to DCA office including all Administrative, Facility and IT functions.
- Continuing support for DCA Board of Directors meetings, monthly report generation, SEC Meeting
- Continuing coordination of DCA Change Control Board meetings/actions
- DCA Software License user review

Engineering

- Begin preparation of conformed EPRs for the Central and Eastern Corridors and the Bethany Reservoir Alternative pending DCO feedback on submitted revisions
- Continue to work on TMs
- Continue to review draft environmental impact methods, as requested
- Respond to requests for information from the environmental team, as requested

Field Work

- Finalize monitoring reports
- Continue preparation of boring logs for explorations performed in June
- Continue laboratory work for explorations performed in June
- Initiate preparation of Geotechnical Data Report for FY20/21 exploration program
- Continue collection of existing subsurface data from other local projects for consideration in subsurface conditions

Section 2 | Stakeholder Engagement

The 17th meeting of the Stakeholder Engagement Committee (SEC) was held via video conference on June 23, 2021, covering the following topics and updates

- Chair Sarah Palmer provided updates from the DCA Board of Directors meetings:
 - Graham Bradner was confirmed as the Executive Director.
 - The Board of Directors (BOD) will meet bi-monthly instead of every month. A monthly staff summary will be provided to the board. The meeting cadence will be reassessed in Spring 2022.
 - The BOD approved a resolution to change the size of the SEC from 20 to 17 members. There are two vacant ex-officio seats currently available on the SEC. This enables meetings to proceed without interruption.
- Josh Nelson, DCA General Counsel, announced that the remote attendance exceptions to the Brown Act enacted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic will expire on September 30. The October SEC meeting will be in person pending further clarification or orders from Governor Newsom.
- Carrie Buckman, DWR Environmental Manager said DWR is currently working on technical reports and impact analysis. Technical workshops are upcoming and are on the calendar on the DWR [website](#).
- Phil Ryan, Engineering Manager, provided an overview of the South Delta Connection conceptual plans that would be utilized if the USBR participates in the project which would be the case if the 7,500 cfs design capacity option is selected.



- Janet Barbieri, DWR Communications Director, provided an update of the Community Benefits Program framework effort:
 - Report of the Community Benefits Program framework efforts is available on the website at <https://water.ca.gov/Programs/State-Water-Project/Delta-Conveyance/Environmental-Justice>.
- The following updates on the conceptual plans were provided by Graham Bradner, Executive Director:
 - Ring levees at the proposed Twin Cities Complex have been realigned, which resulted in removing the connection to Dierssen Road ramp to allow better overland surface water runoff flow to the existing culverts under I-5.
 - The temporary and permanent footprints of the Southern Forebay Footprint have been reduced to reflect updated soil material balance information.

Upcoming SEC Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Time: 3 to 6 PM

Location: Online via Ring Central

Topics:

- DCA Design Changes Update
- DWR Community Benefits Program Update
- Subsurface Investigation Updates

SEC Meeting Calendar

- Future meetings are TBD

SEC Meeting Materials & Updates

<https://www.dcdca.org/>

**Dates are subject to change, please continue to check the dcdca.org website for updates*

Note: DCA will comply with public health recommendations regarding public meetings and COVID-19 response. Any meeting changes or cancellation will be communicated to members.

Section 3 | Budget

Budget. The FY20/21 DCA budget is \$27M. We are now currently forecasting an Estimate at Completion budget of about \$24.63M, \$2.37M below budget (Table 1). The DCA has committed approximately \$26.37M (details in Table 2) and has incurred \$21.8M in expenditures through June(details in Table 2). Actual and

planned cash flow curves are shown in Figure 1. Note that vendors will continue to submit FY20/21 expenditures through December 2021, and these charts will continue to be updated and included in the Board Report.

Table 1 | Monthly Budget Summary (FY 2020/2021)

Category	Original Budget	Current Budget	Current Commitments	Incurred to Date	EAC	Variance
Program Management Office						
Executive Office	\$ 2,697,409	\$ 2,796,854	\$ 2,301,270	\$ 1,819,152	\$ 1,981,813	\$ (815,041)
Community Engagement	\$ 1,301,880	\$ 1,223,223	\$ 1,218,871	\$ 817,054	\$ 952,517	\$ (270,706)
Program Controls	\$ 2,527,124	\$ 1,714,329	\$ 1,714,329	\$ 1,547,397	\$ 1,665,873	\$ (48,456)
Administration	\$ 3,244,410	\$ 2,746,813	\$ 2,991,398	\$ 2,453,345	\$ 2,596,307	\$ (150,506)
Procurement and Contract Administration	\$ 210,000	\$ 109,447	\$ 109,447	\$ 58,662	\$ 59,667	\$ (49,780)
Property	\$ 1,648,758	\$ 1,388,687	\$ 1,338,687	\$ 763,385	\$ 1,155,958	\$ (232,729)
Permitting Management	\$ 1,123,893	\$ 1,123,893	\$ 1,023,893	\$ 930,349	\$ 968,412	\$ (155,481)
Health and Safety	\$ 45,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 11,700	\$ 11,711	\$ (8,289)
Quality Management	\$ 45,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,621	\$ 5,621	\$ (4,379)
Sustainability	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Program Initiation Office						
Engineering	\$ 12,451,950	\$ 10,327,688	\$ 10,376,049	\$ 9,310,262	\$ 10,070,006	\$ (257,682)
Fieldwork	\$ 8,659,576	\$ 5,539,066	\$ 5,269,929	\$ 4,053,976	\$ 5,157,176	\$ (381,890)
	\$ 34,000,000	\$ 27,000,000	\$ 26,373,873	\$ 21,770,904	\$ 24,625,061	\$ (2,374,939)

Section 3 | Budget *continued*

Table 2 | Budget Detail

Work Breakdown Structure	Original Budget	Current Budget	Commitments	Pending Commitments	Actuals Received	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Remaining	Estimate At Completion	Variance (Surplus)/Deficit
Delta Conveyance	\$ 34,000,000	\$ 27,000,000	\$ 26,373,873	\$ -	\$ 21,770,904	\$ 5,229,096	19%	\$ 24,625,061	\$ (2,374,939)
Executive Office	\$ 2,697,409	\$ 2,796,854	\$ 2,301,270	\$ -	\$ 1,819,152	\$ 977,702	35%	\$ 1,981,813	\$ (815,041)
Management	\$ 1,692,409	\$ 1,833,787	\$ 1,311,784	\$ -	\$ 1,131,325	\$ 702,462	38%	\$ 1,194,565	\$ (639,222)
Legal	\$ 620,000	\$ 620,000	\$ 620,000	\$ -	\$ 383,393	\$ 236,607	38%	\$ 492,642	\$ (127,358)
Audit	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ -	0%	\$ 25,000	\$ -
Treasury	\$ 196,000	\$ 196,000	\$ 222,419	\$ -	\$ 209,560	\$ (13,560)	-7%	\$ 197,419	\$ 1,419
Human Resources	\$ 164,000	\$ 122,067	\$ 122,067	\$ -	\$ 69,873	\$ 52,194	43%	\$ 72,187	\$ (49,880)
Community Engagement	\$ 1,301,880	\$ 1,223,223	\$ 1,218,871	\$ -	\$ 817,054	\$ 406,169	33%	\$ 952,517	\$ (270,706)
Management	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 137,929	\$ 162,071	54%	\$ 153,081	\$ (146,919)
Community Coordination	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000	100%	\$ 50,000	\$ -
Outreach	\$ 951,880	\$ 873,223	\$ 918,871	\$ -	\$ 679,126	\$ 194,098	22%	\$ 749,436	\$ (123,787)
Program Controls	\$ 2,527,124	\$ 1,714,329	\$ 1,714,329	\$ -	\$ 1,547,397	\$ 166,932	10%	\$ 1,665,873	\$ (48,456)
Management	\$ 621,646	\$ 446,246	\$ 446,246	\$ -	\$ 361,166	\$ 85,080	19%	\$ 398,057	\$ (48,189)
Risk Mgt	\$ 379,725	\$ 17,170	\$ 17,170	\$ -	\$ 17,170	\$ -	0%	\$ 17,170	\$ -
Cost Mgt	\$ 736,013	\$ 736,013	\$ 736,013	\$ -	\$ 707,440	\$ 28,573	4%	\$ 759,985	\$ 23,972
Schedule Mgt	\$ 373,286	\$ 148,286	\$ 148,286	\$ -	\$ 119,140	\$ 29,146	20%	\$ 119,140	\$ (29,146)
Document Mgt	\$ 316,454	\$ 316,454	\$ 316,454	\$ -	\$ 292,545	\$ 23,909	8%	\$ 321,585	\$ 5,131
Governance	\$ 100,000	\$ 50,160	\$ 50,160	\$ -	\$ 49,936	\$ 224	0%	\$ 49,936	\$ (224)
Administration	\$ 3,244,410	\$ 2,746,813	\$ 2,991,398	\$ -	\$ 2,453,345	\$ 293,468	11%	\$ 2,596,307	\$ (150,506)
Management	\$ 645,000	\$ 645,000	\$ 644,947	\$ -	\$ 564,565	\$ 80,435	12%	\$ 614,885	\$ (30,115)
Facilities	\$ 1,153,300	\$ 1,130,412	\$ 1,360,245	\$ -	\$ 997,150	\$ 133,262	12%	\$ 1,027,237	\$ (103,175)
Information Technology	\$ 1,446,110	\$ 971,401	\$ 986,206	\$ -	\$ 891,629	\$ 79,772	8%	\$ 954,185	\$ (17,216)
Procurement and Contract Administration	\$ 210,000	\$ 109,447	\$ 109,447	\$ -	\$ 58,662	\$ 50,785	46%	\$ 59,667	\$ (49,780)
Procurement Management	\$ 210,000	\$ 109,447	\$ 109,447	\$ -	\$ 58,662	\$ 50,785	46%	\$ 59,667	\$ (49,780)

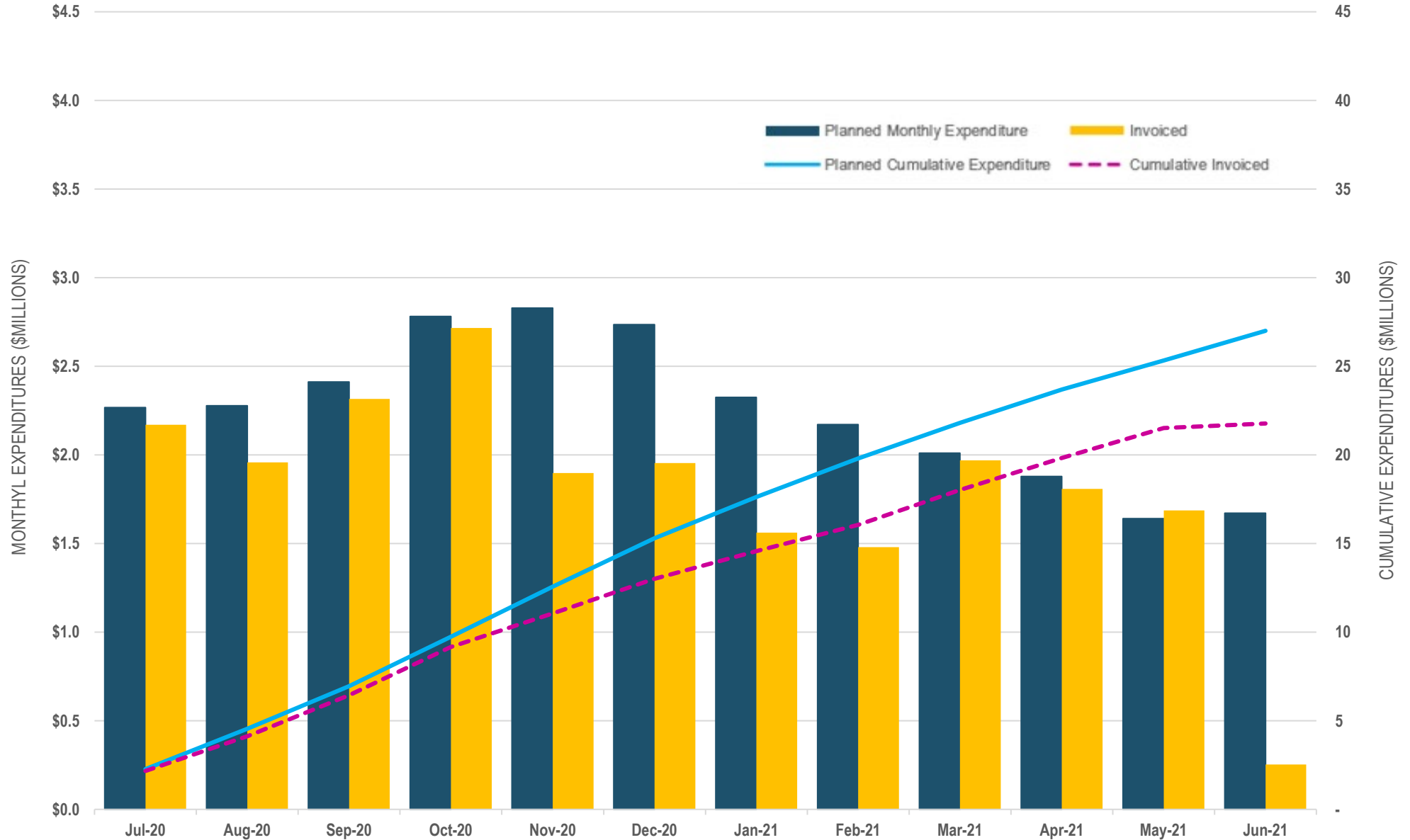
Section 3 | Budget *continued*

Table 2 | Budget Detail

Work Breakdown Structure	Original Budget	Current Budget	Commitments	Pending Commitments	Actuals Received	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Remaining	Estimate At Completion	Variance (Surplus)/Deficit
Property	\$ 1,648,758	\$ 1,388,687	\$ 1,338,687	\$ -	\$ 763,385	\$ 625,302	45%	\$ 1,155,958	\$ (232,729)
Management	\$ 373,758	\$ 350,771	\$ 350,771	\$ -	\$ 286,960	\$ 63,811	18%	\$ 321,019	\$ (29,752)
Property Agents	\$ 900,000	\$ 662,916	\$ 612,916	\$ -	\$ 423,945	\$ 238,971	36%	\$ 459,939	\$ (202,977)
Temporary Entrance Permits	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000	\$ -	\$ 52,480	\$ 322,520	86%	\$ 375,000	\$ -
Permitting Management	\$ 1,123,893	\$ 1,123,893	\$ 1,023,893	\$ -	\$ 930,349	\$ 193,544	17%	\$ 968,412	\$ (155,481)
Management	\$ 1,123,893	\$ 1,123,893	\$ 1,023,893	\$ -	\$ 930,349	\$ 193,544	17%	\$ 968,412	\$ (155,481)
Health and Safety	\$ 45,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 11,700	\$ 8,300	42%	\$ 11,711	\$ (8,289)
Management	\$ 45,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 11,700	\$ 8,300	42%	\$ 11,711	\$ (8,289)
Quality Management	\$ 45,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 5,621	\$ 4,379	44%	\$ 5,621	\$ (4,379)
Management & Auditing	\$ 45,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 5,621	\$ 4,379	44%	\$ 5,621	\$ (4,379)
Sustainability	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
Management	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
Engineering	\$ 12,451,950	\$ 10,327,688	\$ 10,376,049	\$ -	\$ 9,310,262	\$ 1,017,426	10%	\$ 10,070,006	\$ (257,682)
Management & Administration	\$ 2,341,133	\$ 2,204,948	\$ 2,079,948	\$ -	\$ 1,796,708	\$ 408,240	19%	\$ 2,014,143	\$ (190,805)
CEQA Engineering Support	\$ 2,293,256	\$ 4,401,761	\$ 3,525,122	\$ -	\$ 3,225,977	\$ 1,175,784	27%	\$ 3,428,126	\$ (973,635)
Facility Studies	\$ 3,314,202	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
Shared Support Services	\$ 4,503,359	\$ 3,720,979	\$ 4,770,979	\$ -	\$ 4,287,577	\$ (566,598)	-15%	\$ 4,627,737	\$ 906,758
Fieldwork	\$ 8,659,576	\$ 5,539,066	\$ 5,269,929	\$ -	\$ 4,053,976	\$ 1,485,090	27%	\$ 5,157,176	\$ (381,890)
Management	\$ 413,255	\$ 413,255	\$ 413,255	\$ -	\$ 338,040	\$ 75,215	18%	\$ 413,255	\$ -
Geotechnical Work	\$ 8,140,500	\$ 4,590,500	\$ 4,281,363	\$ -	\$ 3,379,394	\$ 1,211,106	26%	\$ 4,348,108	\$ (242,392)
Surveying	\$ 105,821	\$ 50,000	\$ 90,000	\$ -	\$ 84,432	\$ (34,432)	-69%	\$ 90,000	\$ 40,000
Environmental Monitoring	\$ -	\$ 485,311	\$ 485,311	\$ -	\$ 252,109	\$ 233,202	48%	\$ 305,812	\$ (179,499)

Section 3 | Budget *continued*

Figure 1 | Fiscal Year 20/21 Cash Flow



Section 4 | Contracts

Contracts. Table 3 summarizes the status of all active commitments within the DCA for the current fiscal year. Commitment changes are summarized in Table 4.

There are no active procurements at this time. SBE/DVBE participation in major contracts is summarized in Table 5.

Table 3 | Contract Summary

Contract Description	Commitment Amount	Pending Commitments	Invoiced to Date	Percent Invoiced
180005 - e-Builder, Inc.	\$ 167,102	-	\$ 167,102	100%
180006 - Jacobs Engineering Group	\$ 13,273,528	-	\$ 11,459,942	86%
180007 - Fugro USA Land, Inc	\$ 4,279,863	-	\$ 3,377,894	79%
180008 - Hamner, Jewell & Associates	\$ 200,000	-	\$ 159,006	80%
180009 - Bender Rosenthal, Inc.	\$ 262,916	-	\$ 192,195	73%
180010 - Associated Right of Way Services, Inc.	\$ 150,000	-	\$ 72,744	48%
180013 - Psomas	\$ 90,000	-	\$ 84,432	94%
190005 - Management Partners	\$ 567,750	-	\$ 567,750	100%
190009 - Parsons	\$ 3,796,645	-	\$ 3,281,617	86%
190011 - GV/HI Park Tower Owner, LLC	\$ 995,414	-	\$ 872,426	88%
190014 - Direct Technology	\$ 224,924	-	\$ 224,924	100%
190016 - Consolidated Communications, Inc.	\$ 79,707	-	\$ 27,755	35%
190017 - AT&T	\$ 56,450	-	\$ 19,019	34%
190018 - AP42, LLC	\$ 20,142	-	\$ 20,142	100%
190019 - VMACommunications, Inc.	\$ 375,230	-	\$ 285,401	76%
190021 - RingCentral	\$ 189,391	-	\$ 44,869	24%

Section 4 | Contracts *continued*

Table 3 | Contract Summary

Contract Description	Commitment Amount	Pending Commitments	Invoiced to Date	Percent Invoiced
190022 - Caltronics Government Services	\$ 85,768	-	\$ 33,913	40%
190023 - JAMBO-Silvacom LTD	\$ 34,920	-	\$ 34,920	100%
190024 - Stakeholder Engagement Committee Stipened	\$ 51,000	-	\$ 30,250	59%
200003 - Best Best & Krieger	\$ 620,000	-	\$ 383,393	62%
200006 - KPMG LLP	\$ 25,000	-	\$ 25,000	100%
200013 - Metropolitan Water District of S. California	\$ 310,321	-	\$ 233,809	75%
200014 - Dept of Water Resources	\$ 375,000	-	\$ 52,480	14%
200022 - Alliant Insurance	\$ 26,212	-	\$ 26,212	100%
210004 - Gwen Buchholz, Permit Engineer Inc	\$ 50,000	-	\$ 49,875	100%
- Agreements <\$15K	\$ 66,591	-	\$ 43,832	66%

Section 4 | Contracts *continued*

Table 4 | Commitment Changes

There were no Commitment Changes impacting Scope, Schedule or Budget to be reported

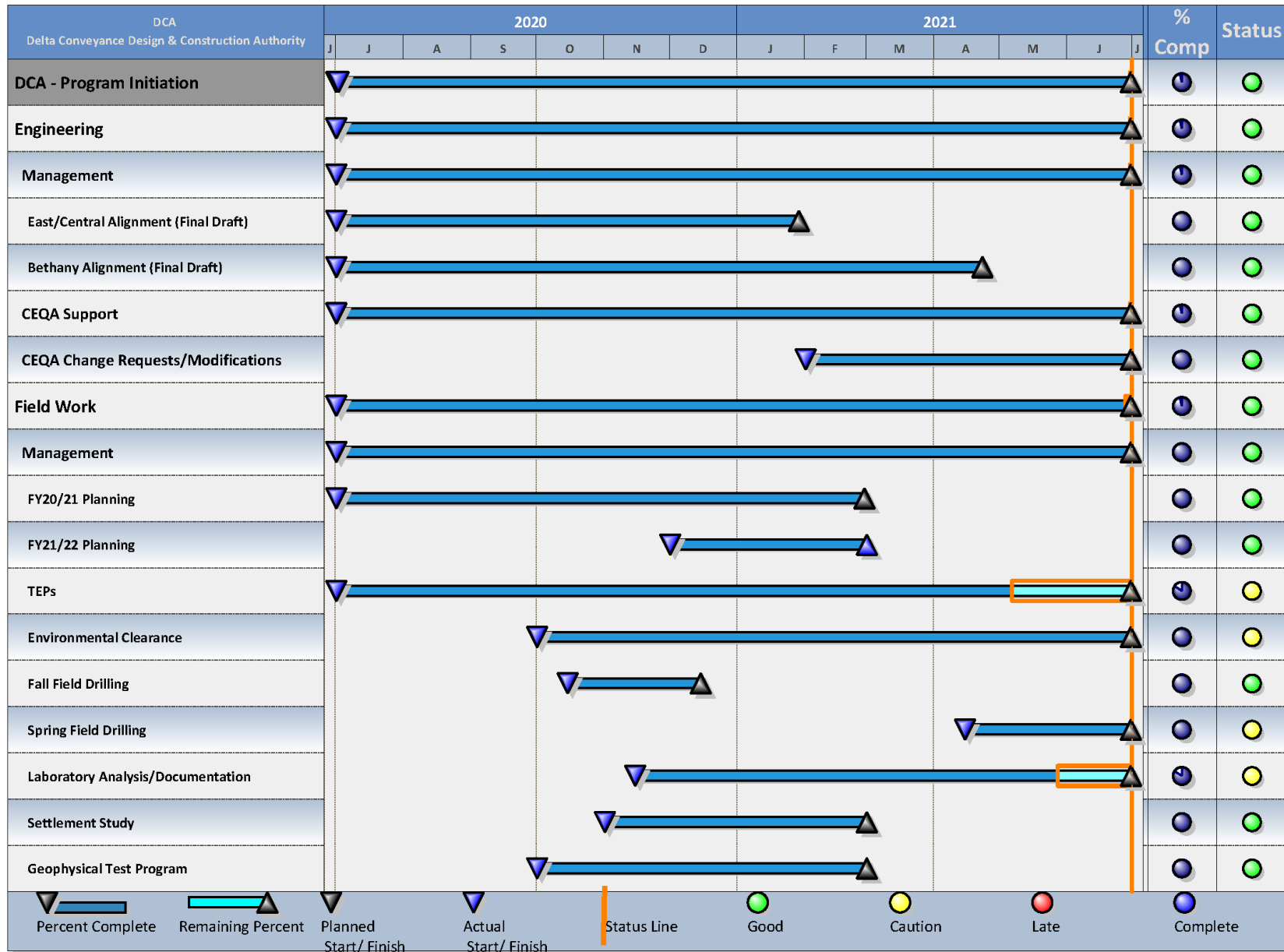
Section 4 | Contracts *continued*

Table 5 | S/DVBE Status FY 2020/21

	Commitment Amount	Invoiced to Date	Percent Committed	Percent Invoiced	
Delta Conveyance	\$ 26,373,873	\$ 21,770,904			
SBE Participation	\$ 3,129,001	\$ 2,422,219	12%	11%	
DVBE Participation	\$ 600,197	\$ 539,385	2%	2%	

Consultant	Curent Commitment	Percent of Total Commitment	Invoiced to Date	Percent Invoiced	SBE/DVBE Status
Jacobs Engineering Group	\$ 13,273,528		\$ 11,459,942		
Anchor	\$ 600,197	4.5%	\$ 539,385	4.1%	SBE/DVBE
EETS	\$ 30,120	0.2%	\$ 7,170	0.1%	SBE
JMA	\$ 40,000	0.3%	\$ 24,273	0.2%	SBE
NAZPARV	\$ 300,000	2.3%	\$ 136,396	1.0%	SBE
Fugro USA Land, Inc	\$ 427,963		\$ 3,377,894		
Hutgren-Tillis Engineers, Inc.	\$ 108,383	25%	\$ 58,882	13.8%	SBE
Dillard Environmental Services, Inc.	\$ 98,710	23%	\$ 88,400	20.7%	SBE
GeoTech Utility Locating, LLC	\$ 36,350	8%	\$ 18,715	4.4%	SBE
Torrent Laboratories, Inc.	\$ 55,405	13%	\$ 49,185	11.5%	SBE
Confluence Technical Services, Inc.	\$ 3,675	1%	\$ 3,675	0.0%	SBE
Parsons	\$ 3,796,645		\$ 3,281,617		
Chaves	\$ 1,045,163	28%	\$ 974,609	25.7%	SBE
VMACommunications, Inc.	\$ 375,230	100%	\$ 285,401	76.1%	SBE
Caltronics Government Services	\$ 85,768	100%	\$ 33,913	39.5%	SBE
Associated Right of Way Services, Inc.	\$ 150,000	100%	\$ 43,150	28.8%	SBE
Hamner, Jewell & Associates	\$ 200,000	100%	\$ 159,065	79.5%	SBE

Section 5 | Program Schedule



Schedule. The overall program finished FY 20-21 primarily on schedule. The planned engineering deliverables were all submitted with the exception of the Permit Handbook, which was deferred in favor of the team focusing on more pressing environmental documentation and permitting activities.

The field work activities continue to lag somewhat due to on-going COVID-related delays with the Court Ordered Entry process. As a result, the planned field work activities were adjusted reflecting access issues and all work in the field was completed by the end of the fiscal year. A time extension was however given to the Geotechnical Services Consultant to complete the final documentation and laboratory work on the last explorations performed in June.

Board Memo

Contacts: Graham Bradner, Executive Director

Date: July 15, 2021 Board Meeting

Item No. 8b

Subject: Initial DCA FY 21/22 Budget Adjustment

Summary:

Attached to this memo is the DCA revised budget of \$23.5M for FY 21/22 including a summary and detailed breakdown table. The budget reflects transferring an initial portion of the underspend from the FY 20/21 Budget. We previously reported an underspend of approximately \$2.45M for FY 20/21. The updated forecast for the underspend is approximately \$2.37M excluding some Field Work activities which will continue through September 30th.

The initial transfer from FY 20/21 will be used to fund the undefined allowance line items in the Program Management Office (PMO) and Program Initiation (PI) at the Executive Office and Engineering budget categories. This will serve as a reserve for the FY 21/22 and can only be reallocated through the DCA's change control process and, for scope changes more than \$250K, the Executive Director would seek approval from the Board.

This budget change will increase the adopted FY 21/22 Budget from \$21.5M to \$23.5M. We anticipate an additional future adjustment once all contracts have been closed out to transfer any remaining unused funds to the FY 21/22 Budget.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommendation for the Board to adopt the budget change to create undefined allowances of \$1.25M under PMO Executive Office and \$750K under PI Engineering for a total FY 21/22 Budget of \$23.5M by minute order.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – FY 2021/22 Budget Summary

Attachment 2 – FY 2021/22 Detailed Budget Sheet

CODE	Description	Proposed FY 21/22 Budget \$
		\$ 23,500,000
10	PROGRAM MANGEMENT OFFICE	\$ 9,454,970
100	PMO-Executive Office	\$ 3,452,245
110	PMO-Community Engagement	\$ 775,305
120	PMO-Program Controls	\$ 1,472,640
130	PMO-Administration	\$ 2,568,238
140	PMO-Procurement and Contract Administration	\$ 74,112
150	PMO-Property	\$ 516,280
160	PMO-Permitting Management	\$ 560,534
170	PMO-Health and Safety	\$ 21,600
180	PMO-Quality Management	\$ 14,016
30	PROGRAM INITIATION	\$ 14,045,030
300	PI-Engineering	\$ 8,367,456
310	PI-Fieldwork	\$ 5,677,574

Note: Numbers are rounded to the nearest dollar

CODE	Description	Proposed FY 21/22 Budget \$
		\$ 23,500,000
10	PROGRAM MANGEMENT OFFICE	\$ 9,454,970
100	PMO-Executive Office	\$ 3,452,245
1000	EO-Management	
10001	EO-Executive Office	\$ 573,804
10002	EO-Chief Engineer	\$ 672,480
10003	EO-DCA Board Meetings	\$ 26,600
1005	EO-General Counsel	
10050	EO-General Counsel	\$ 556,915
1015	EO-Audit	
10150	EO-Audit	\$ 30,000
1020	EO-Treasury	
10200	EO-Treasury	\$ 254,726
1025	EO-Human Resources	
10250	EO-Human Resources	\$ 87,720
1090	EO-Undefined Allowance	
10900	EO-Undefined Allowance	
UDA-10000	EO-Undefined Allowance	\$ 1,250,000
110	PMO-Community Engagement	\$ 775,305
1100	CE-Management	
11000	CE-Management	\$ 118,877
1110	CE-Community Coordination	
11001	CE-Community Liaison	\$ 250,000
1115	CE-Outreach	
11002	CE-SEC Meetings	\$ 283,428
11003	CE-Social Media	\$ 123,000
120	PMO-Program Controls	\$ 1,472,640
1200	PCTRL-Management	
12000	PCTRL-Management	\$ 387,840
1205	PCTRL-Risk Mgt	
12001	PCTRL-Risk Mgt	N/A
1210	PCTRL-Cost Mgt	
12002	PCTRL-Cost Mgt	\$ 754,560
1215	PCTRL-Schedule Mgt	
12003	PCTRL-Schedule Mgt	
1220	PCTRL-Document Mgt	
12004	PCTRL-Document Mgt	\$ 330,240
1230	PCTRL-Program Governance	
12006	PCTRL-Program Governance	
130	PMO-Administration	\$ 2,568,238
1300	AD-Management	
13000	AD-Management	\$ 641,280

CODE	Description	Proposed FY 21/22 Budget \$
1305	AD-Facilities	
13001	AD-Office Rent	\$ 1,156,123
13003	AD-Office Supplies	\$ 12,800
13004	AD-Other Direct Costs	\$ 1,610
13005	AD-Office Utilities	\$ 112,764
1310	AD-Information Technology	
13006	AD-IT Services	\$ 324,740
13007	AD-IT Software	\$ 253,806
13008	AD-IT Hardware	\$ 65,115
140	PMO-Procurement and Contract Administration	\$ 74,112
1405	PCA-Management	
14000	PCA-Management	\$ 74,112
150	PMO-Property	\$ 516,280
1500	PY-Management	
15000	PY-Management	\$ 245,280
1505	PY-Property Agents	
15001	PY-Property Agents	\$ 150,000
1510	PY-Temporary Entrance Permits	
15002	PY-Temporary Entrance Permits	\$ 121,000
160	PMO-Permitting Management	\$ 560,534
1600	PM-Management	
16000	PM-Management	\$ 560,534
170	PMO-Health and Safety	\$ 21,600
1700	HS-Management	
17000	HS-Management	\$ 21,600
180	PMO-Quality Management	\$ 14,016
1800	QM-Management & Auditing	
18000	QM-Management & Auditing	\$ 14,016
30	PROGRAM INITIATION	\$ 14,045,030
300	PI-Engineering	\$ 8,367,456
3000	PIE-Management & Administration	
30000	PIE-Management & Administration	\$ 900,316
3005	PIE-CEQA Engineering Support	
30001	PIE-CEQA Engineering Support	\$ 4,436,666
3010	PIE-Facility Studies	
30002	PIE-Facility Studies	\$ 2,280,474
3090	PIE-Undefined Allowance	
30900	PIE-Undefined Allowance	\$ 750,000
310	PI-Fieldwork	\$ 5,677,574
3100	PIF-Management	
31000	PIF-Management	\$ 544,675
3105	PIF-Geotechnical Work	
31001	PIF-Geotechnical Work	\$ 4,548,000

CODE	Description	Proposed FY 21/22 Budget \$
3115	PIF-Environmental Monitoring	
31003	PIF-Environmental Monitoring & Surveying	\$ 584,899

Note: Numbers are rounded to the nearest dollar



This summary is provided as a resource for committee members and the public to have brief highlights following SEC meetings. In addition to this summary, detailed meeting minutes, question and answer documents and full meeting video will be available on the dcdca.org website.

MEETING OVERVIEW

The 17th meeting of the Stakeholder Engagement Committee (SEC) was held via video conference on June 23, 2021. The meeting video, agenda, presentation, and supplemental materials are available for review on the dcdca.org [website](https://dcdca.org).

DCA UPDATES AND COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Chair Sarah Palmer provided updates from the DCA Board of Directors meetings:
 - Graham Bradner was confirmed as the Executive Director.
 - The Board of Directors (BOD) will meet bi-monthly instead of every month. A monthly staff summary will be provided to the board. The meeting cadence will be reassessed in Spring 2022.
 - The BOD approved a resolution to change the size of the SEC from 20 to 17 members. There are two vacant ex-officio seats currently available on the SEC. This enables meetings to proceed without interruption.
- Vice Chair Barbara Keegan said there is a seat on the SEC for a liaison who represents the perspective of boating, recreation, and Delta businesses.
- Josh Nelson, DCA General Counsel, announced that the remote attendance exceptions to the Brown Act enacted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic will expire on September 30. The October SEC meeting will be in person pending further clarification or orders from Governor Newsom.
- Carrie Buckman, DWR Environmental Manager said DWR is currently working on technical reports and impact analysis. Technical workshops are upcoming and are on the calendar on the DWR [website](https://dwr.ca.gov).

PRESENTATIONS & COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Phil Ryan, Engineering Manager, provided an overview of the South Delta Connection conceptual plans that would be utilized if the USBR participates in the project which would be the case if the 7,500 cfs design capacity option is selected. He clarified that these conceptual plans would only be utilized if Central or Eastern alignment is selected, but a comparable configuration was also considered for the Bethany Reservoir Alternative. DMC structures layout and updates were made for external flooding and include external flood resiliency to 200 year flood plus projected sea level rise and climate change assumptions.
- The following updates on the conceptual plans were provided by Graham Bradner, Executive Director:
 - Ring levees at the proposed Twin Cities Complex have been realigned, which resulted in remove the connection to Dierssen Road ramp to allow better overland surface water runoff flow to the existing culverts under I-5.
 - The temporary and permanent footprints of the Southern Forebay Footprint have been reduced to reflect updated soil material balance information.

Changes to Southern Forebay Footprint

Revised Configuration

- Soil balance indicates less remnant RTM for north stockpile than originally considered
- Use north stockpile area for permanent peat stockpile (w/ cover), temporary topsoil stockpile, and remnant RTM stockpile
- Reduced temporary footprint ~250 acres and permanent footprint ~150 acres



NEXT MEETING

DATE*:
September 22, 2021

TIME:
3-6 p.m.

LOCATION:
RINGCENTRAL WEBINAR:
<https://webinar.ringcentral.com/j/1480658465>

POSSIBLE MEETING TOPICS:

- Community Benefits Framework
- Engineering Updates
- Subsurface Investigation Updates

** DCA will comply with public health recommendations regarding public meetings and social distancing efforts. Any meeting changes or cancellations will be communicated to members and the public.*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Anna Swenson
At Large - Yolo

Angelica Whaley
North Delta Local Business

Barbara Barrigan Parrilla
Environmental Justice

Cecille Giacomia
Public Safety

David Gloski
At Large - Contra Costa

Douglas Hsia
At Large - Sacramento

Gilbert Cosio
Ex-Officio

Isabella Gonzalez Potter
Environment NGO - Aquatic

Jim Cox
Sports Fishing

Jesus Tarango
Tribal Government Representative (Alternate)

Karen Mann
South Delta Local Business

Lindsey Liebig
Agriculture

Mel Lytle, Ph.D.
Delta Water District

Michael Moran
Ex-Officio

Malissa Tayaba
Tribal Government Representative

Phillip Merlo
At large - San Joaquin

Mike Hardesty
At large - Solano

David Welch
Ex-Officio

Gia Moreno
City of Hood

PRESENTATIONS & COMMITTEE DISCUSSION, cont.

- Nazli Parvizi, Communications Director, reported a Hood community meeting was conducted to provide an overview of the project and listen to specific concerns. If other SEC members have need for a community meeting, please let the DCA team know.
- Janet Barbieri, DWR Communications Director, provided an update of the Community Benefits Program framework effort:
 - ◆ Report of the Community Benefits Program framework efforts is available on the website at <https://water.ca.gov/Programs/State-Water-Project/Delta-Conveyance/Environmental-Justice>.
 - ◆ The executive summary is available on the website in English and Spanish.
 - ◆ A presentation of the results can be provided by Ag Innovations upon request.
 - ◆ CBP workshops finished. Materials are all on website.

Upcoming DWR informational [webinars](#); see calendar on website [here](#).

Operations of the State Water Project and Delta Conveyance

Wednesday, July 14, 2021 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm | [REGISTER HERE](#)

Fisheries

Tuesday, August 3, 2021 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm | [REGISTER HERE](#)

Climate Change

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm | [REGISTER HERE](#)

Environmental Justice

Thursday, September 16, 2021 | 6:00pm – 8:00pm | [REGISTER HERE](#)

- ◆ Input provided will be utilized to create the Community Benefits Framework—essentially a preliminary approach to community benefits—and the framework will be included as an appendix in the DEIR.
- ◆ Next steps include using the framework concept, including further work with the community, to develop the full program.
- ◆ More education and information to the community is being planned, including an additional tribal workshop.
- ◆ Workshop on case studies is being considered, hopefully for this fall.

SEC MEMBER THOUGHT EXCHANGE

- Mr. Gloski asked if the project would be able to deliver fresh water to the South Delta. Ms. Buckman said they have discussed a redundant system but it would increase the environmental effects, so it is not being considered at this time.
- Ms. Barrigan-Parrilla said it would be helpful to have the zip code of EJ survey respondents to overlay with maps that show EJ communities.
- Ms. Swenson said the Twin Cities area experiences high water events; a ring levee could potentially increase the flooding in an area that is already flood-prone. Mr. Bradner said the existing hydraulic modeling indicates the ring levee would not have a substantial impact on the flood risk.
- Mr. Hsia said DWR should increase protection of existing levees in the region and not just levees to protect operations.
- Dr. Lytle said the levees near Twin Cities caused flooding in 1986, and he would be interested in the modelling and potential impacts on farms in the area and up to Elk Grove. A 100-year flood standard is insufficient.
- Mr. Cosio said the team should talk to Sacramento County about ring levee in Twin Cities and their flood insurance area.
- Mr. Gloski asked if there is consideration to benefits of the project itself, such as greater access to emergency services. Ms. Buckman said DWR is analyzing potential benefits such as increasing internet access.
- Ms. Moreno said levees and drinking water should be mandatory and not part of the Community Benefits Programs (CBP). Ms. Buckman clarified the difference between mitigation and community benefits. CEQA requires any impacts identified in the EIR to be addressed through mitigation that would reduce or eliminate the impact. If a project is not done or there are not significant impacts, then these types of activities could be included in the CBP. Ombudsman program would establish a single point of contact for any issues that might develop related to the project. That individual would connect Delta residents to the resources and resolutions in response to their concerns. The program would be run by DCA.
- Ms. Barrigan-Parrilla said the project cannot be justified if the drought continues. Ms. Buckman said she understands the frustration that Delta Conveyance is only a small part of the overall water picture. While HABs are a concern to DWR, solving the problem is outside of the scope of the DCA project. One of the upcoming technical [webinars](#) is about climate change.
- Mr. Moran said presentations over Zoom have been remarkable; the graphics and information has been great. Before COVID, site visits were considered. As restrictions begin to lift, he would be interested in site visits and tours for SEC members and DCA staff to turn abstractions more reality-based.
- Dr. Lytle said he had hoped the September meeting would be in person. Ms. Palmer said it is advisable to make a determination closer to the meeting time in case there are some COVID-related concerns that manifest between now and then.

NEXT STEPS

- Provide info about ring levee at proposed Twin Cities site based on hydraulic modeling at future SEC meeting.
- Committee members can email specific concerns to the DCA team about the ring levees so the team can develop a more in-depth presentation for a future SEC meeting.
- Survey SEC members to ascertain interest in driving tours and of tunnel driving operations in progress at an active site in the Bay area.

General Counsel's Report

Contact: Josh Nelson, General Counsel

Agenda Date: July 15, 2021

Item No. 9a

Subject: Status Update

Summary:

The General Counsel continues to assist the DCA on legal matters as requested.

Detailed Report:

The General Counsel continues to provide assistance as necessary. As discussed at the last meeting, this has included assisting staff with implementing the most recent changes to the COVID-19 rules released last month. Related to the Brown Act, the Governor issued Executive Order N-08-21 which extends the current, remote meeting rules through September 30, 2021. In addition, the California Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board released updated mask guidance. This guidance is largely consistent with the guidance released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the California Department of Public Health. Generally, it allows vaccinated staff to not wear masks in the office. Unvaccinated staff must continue to do so.

Lastly and as noted in prior reports, we continue to assist with other legal matters as necessary. These matters are confidential and not appropriate for discussion in a public report.

Recommended Action:

Information only.

Environmental Manager's Report

Contact: Carolyn Buckman, DWR Environmental Manager

Date: July 15, 2021, Board Meeting

Item No. 9b

Subject: Environmental Manager's Report

Summary:

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) is working through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process to analyze a single-tunnel solution to modernizing and rehabilitating the State Water Project infrastructure in the Delta.

Detailed Report:

DWR is continuing to develop an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) under CEQA. DWR has identified a range of reasonable alternatives to analyze in the EIR, and current efforts are focused on assessing the alternatives' potential impacts on environmental resources and identifying mitigation measures, if needed. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), as part of its permitting review under the Clean Water Act and Rivers and Harbors Act, has started preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Field activities under the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for Soil Investigations in the Delta (including cone penetration tests, soil borings, and geophysical surveys) are proceeding. DWR has added a link to our public information website to help provide information to interested members of the public and are updating a map weekly of the near-term planned explorations (<https://water.ca.gov/Programs/State-Water-Project/Delta-Conveyance/Public-Information>). The most recent round of field investigations went from March through June. Field investigations are currently on a short break until a group of properties are ready to be scheduled together (tentatively August). Additionally, DWR and the DCA are continuing work to obtain temporary entry for additional soil surveys on private lands. DWR is also continuing to pursue permits for soil survey sites that fall under the jurisdiction of the Rivers and Harbors Act (Section 408). Investigations at any given site will not occur until property owners have been notified and required permits and approvals for that site have been obtained.

DWR is working (through discussions with the local communities) to develop a Community Benefits Program as part of the proposed Delta Conveyance Project to help protect and enhance the cultural, recreational, natural resource and agricultural values of the Delta. DWR has conducted interviews, one tribal workshop, and three public workshops to have discussions and obtain feedback. We have posted the videos from the public workshops and meeting summaries for those that missed the meetings.

DWR is planning four technical webinars to inform the public and interested stakeholders about the current progress related to preparation of the Draft EIR. Each webinar will feature presentations from technical staff about the approaches, methodologies and assumptions to be used in conducting impact analyses in the Draft EIR. Information about impact findings and specific mitigation will not be available but will be included in future outreach efforts following publication of the Draft EIR. More information

is available on DWR's website: <https://water.ca.gov/Programs/State-Water-Project/Delta-Conveyance/DCP-Informational-Webinars>

Recommended Action:
Information only.