

SOUTH VALLEY WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY BOARD MEETING Wednesday, September 17, 2025 7495 South 1300 West West Jordan, Utah 84084
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Attendance	Board Member	Branden Anderson, Midvale City
	Board Member	Jared Syme, Midvalley Sewer District
	Board Member	Joel Thompson, Jordan Basin Improvement District
	Board Member	Tracy Cowdell, Sandy Suburban Improvement District
	Board Member	Dave Murphy, City of West Jordan
	General Manager	Lee Rawlings
	Facility Engineer	Taigon Worthen
	Facility Clerk	Belinda Patterson
	Attorney for South Valley	Ryan Richards
	Finance Director	Gary Dunn
	Former Board Member	Glen Kennedy

Call to Order Vice-Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

Roll Call Roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Syme	"here"
Mr. Cowdell	"here"
Mr. Murphy	"here"
Mr. Anderson	"here"
Vice-Chairman Thompson	"here"

**Ceremonies/
Presentations/Public
Comments** None

**Resolution 09-17-2025(A)
– Adopting 2026 Tentative
Budget for SVWRF** Mr. Dunn gave each of the board members a copy of the South Valley Water Reclamation Facility 2026 Tentative Budget. An electronic version will be emailed to the board and their finance departments. A finance committee meeting has been scheduled for October 24, 2025 to discuss the budget more in depth.

Mr. Rawlings invited questions from the board. Vice-Chairman Thompson asked if increases for potential tariffs on equipment and supplies was for in house or capital projects, or both. Mr. Rawlings responded that it was for both, mostly in-house items. Mr. Dunn added that most of the increases, as far as inflation and tariffs, is on the Operations and Maintenance side.

Mr. Murphy moved that the board adopt Resolution 09/17/2025(A) the South Valley Water Reclamation Facility's 2026 Proposed Tentative Budget as set forth in Appendix "A" and direct the Vice-Chairman to sign the resolution. Mr. Cowdell seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

**Approve Job Description
for Director of Human
Resources**

Back in 2014 the board reclassified the Human Resource Supervisor/Clerk/Administrative position and adjusted the paygrade accordingly. Because there was an individual currently in that position no changes were made to the job description at that time. Now that the individual will be retiring January, 2026, staff would like to take this opportunity to update the job description to better represent the duties and responsibilities of this position. It was proposed that the title also be changed to Director of Human Resources/Facility Clerk/Administrative Assistant. Staff would like to get this position posted as soon as possible.

Mr. Syme moved that the board approve the proposed changes to the Director of Human Resources/Facility Clerk/Administrative Assistant job description as presented. Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

**Approve New Operations
Training Coordinator
Position with Job
Description**

Over the last couple of years, staff has been working to create a new type of training program for the operations department. It's currently in use and working very well and all operators will be involved in this program. Staff is interested in placing someone fulltime in this new position and presented a job description for board approval. The paygrade will be the same as the paygrade for a crew chief. This position will be filled in house by a crew chief which will open an entry level operator position to be filled in 2026 and has been included the proposed 2026 budget.

Mr. Cowdell moved that the board approve the creation of the Operations Training Coordinator position with the job description as presented. Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

**Sole Source with PRS for
Bioreactor Cleanout**

Staff is currently advertising SVWRF's intent to conduct a sole source procurement to remove biosolids from Bioreactor #3 in 2025. Over the last three years PRS has been the sole bidder. A multiyear agreement has been discussed but there are too many variables, PRS was not interested and would prefer pricing it each year.

At the end of the public notice staff will move ahead with negotiating a price and schedule to complete the work. This will be presented to the board next month for approval.

Mr. Anderson presented his concerns with sole sourcing. Mr. Cowdell responded that the facility sole source's more often due to the unique nature of the wastewater business. The board understands and the procurement code is always followed.

At this time, 1:00 p.m., Mr. Cowdell was excused from the meeting.

**Findings from Inspection
of C2 Interceptor and
Siphon**

Mr. Worthen presented a draft report from Bowen Collins & Associates on the inspection of the 36-inch C-2 Interceptor and Three Barrel Inverted Siphon. The interceptor is located between 700 West and the Jordan River. The three-

barrel inverted siphon pipes run beneath the Jordan River that range from 18-24 inches.

An unknown sewer manhole was discovered near the FLSmith Development. It was recommended to bring that manhole up to the surface.

C-2 Interceptor - It was found that several segments of the existing 36-inch C-2 interceptor show an increase in pipe wall surface roughness with visible aggregate, indicating that there is some minor H₂S corrosion taking place. There were several segments also showing infiltration staining but there was no observed infiltration. In summary, the C-2 interceptor is in a fairly decent condition. It's recommended continuing assessments of the C2 interceptor every five years.

Manholes - The manholes appear to be in good condition. There was some staining and slight aggregate exposure.

Three Barrel Inverted Siphon – There is infiltration staining along much of the length of the 24-inch barrel. There is visible aggregate in all three pipes. It was suggested that this is the most critical place we would want to line first.

Mr. Syme asked where we go from here as far as implementation. Mr. Worthen responded that a time frame needs to be determined to work on the siphon and coat the three barrels going under the pipe and then address the structures.

Mr. Syme asked if we need to lock in the ownership first. Mr. Worthen responded that for the C-2 Interceptor, yes. The Siphon is a separate issue.

Mr. Syme suggested listing the C-2 Interceptor and Siphon as two separate projects in the Capital Facility Plan.

Capital Facility Plan Update

Mr. Worthen reviewed changes and corrections made to the Capital Facility Plan. A couple of additions mentioned were the C-2 Interceptor Sewer, Thermal Drying and the North Interceptor Sewer. Mr. Murphy asked what the target year was for the North Interceptor Sewer. Mr. Worthen responded, 2029, but there still is flexibility as long as we stay close to five years.

A revised version of the Capital Facility Plan will be sent to the board.

Consent Calendar

Items included on the consent calendar are as follows:

- Ratify Check Register: August 2025
- Approval of Minutes: August 20, 2025
- Next Board Meeting Date: October 15, 2025

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the consent calendar. Mr. Syme seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

General Manager Report

Mr. Rawlings reported that the City of West Jordan approved the rezoning of the property along 1300 West. Site plans were submitted to the city and they

have requested a couple of easements. When that is completed a building permit will be submitted.

On September 16th the Wasatch Front Water Quality Council provided breakfast for the state legislators to discuss biosolids disposal. A presentation on biosolids disposal was made to the natural resources committee that afternoon.

Project Updates

Mr. Worthen gave a brief update on the following projects:

- MCC Replacement Project – MCCs are on order. Waiting for the production schedule to be updated to us. Looking at approximately 44 weeks. Construction drawings are 90% completed.
- Biofilter Project – Punchlist work left to do.
- UV Project – Need to move forward and select an engineer.

Closed Meeting

No closed meeting.

Other Business

No other business discussed.

Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Thompson adjourned the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

Joel Thompson
Board Vice-Chairman

Belinda Patterson
Facility Clerk