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**SUBJECT: Agenda Item 5 - 06/16/2021 Utilities Advisory Committee**  
**Utilities Department Updates for May 2021**

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## **Utility Department Updates**

### **Program C Well**

SWCA, the District's environmental consultant, and staff completed the Program C Well Project's draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration. The project was reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and finds that an Environmental Impact Report need not be prepared because the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and that a Mitigated Negative Declaration may be approved for this project. The document was noticed in the Tribune, posted on the District's website, at the Clerk Recorder Office and online through the State's CEQAnet portal on May 19<sup>th</sup>. This begins the 30-day public comment period which will end June 19<sup>th</sup>. The public is invited to provide written comments about the proposed project and the Mitigated Negative Declaration. Comments may be directed to Brandi Cummings, contract planner, at (805) 786-2550 or via email to [brandi.cummings@swca.com](mailto:brandi.cummings@swca.com). Comments on the proposed project and Mitigated Negative Declaration may also be mailed to the LOCSD Office, 2122 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 110, Los Osos, California 93402.

Staff is continuing to work on the scope of work for the drilling phase of the project and the Minor Use Permit application with the County.

### **8<sup>th</sup> St. Upper Aquifer Well**

This project has been in the works since 2016 with 90% design documents completed in 2018. The estimated cost of the project at that time was approximately \$315,000. This cost did not include construction management and other project management costs. The project was put on hold while the District applied for a Department of Water Resources grant through the County's Integrated Regional Water Management program. The grant amount is for \$240,000. Though the grant documents haven't been signed, the District was given the go ahead to start the project with the anticipation of being reimbursed at a future date. At the Board meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup> the notice to invite bids was approved and the bid package was posted on the District website on June 4<sup>th</sup>. There is a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting scheduled for June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the water yard. Bids will be accepted until July 13, 2021, at 3 pm at the District Office. Then the most responsive bid will be brought to the Board of Directors meeting on August 5, 2021.

### **3rd Street Well**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Street well is ready to have the pump and motor replaced. After receiving quotes for services, the District selected Filipponi & Thompson to do the work for \$9,041. On June 1<sup>st</sup> operators had a general fault alarm and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street well shut off. Starting the well motor again was unsuccessful. Then operators tried on Monday June 7, 2021 and the well started up and has continued to run. We expect F&T to have the work completed before the end of June.