LEUCADIA WASTEWATER DISTRICT

Minutes of an Engineering Committee Meeting
November 4, 2026

A meeting of the Engineering Committee (EC) of Leucadia Wastewater District (LWD or District) was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 1:00 p.m., at the LWD Administration Office located at 1960 La Costa Avenue, Carlsbad, California.

1. **Call to Order**
   Chairperson Brown called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	Brown (via Teams), Roesink
DIRECTORS ABSENT:	None
OTHERS PRESENT:	General Manager Paul Bushee, Field Services Superintendent Marvin Gonzalez, Field Services Supervisor Mauricio Avalos, Field Services Supervisor Rick Easton, Field Services Technician Curney Russell, Capital Project Manager Ian Riffel, Kathleen Noel and Steven Henderson of Dexter Wilson Engineering, Inc.

3. **Public Comment**
   None.

4. **Award of Sole Source Purchase Agreement to Misco Water for the Tube Settler and Scum Pipe Bracket Furnish and Installation**

   Authorize the General Manager to execute a sole source purchase agreement with Misco Water to furnish and install a new Tube Settler and Scum Pipe Bracket in an amount not to exceed $94,274.

   Field Services Technician Curney Russell (FST Russell) presented this item to the EC. He stated this item is a FY27 tactical goal and provided a brief background about how the AWT utilizes tube settlers for recycled water treatment efficiency. FST Russell said that the original equipment has been in service for over 30 years and shows corrosion and wear, creating a risk of equipment failure and reduced clarification efficiency. He continued that the proposed replacement PVC tube settlers are corrosion and chemical resistant with a life expectancy of 25-30 years.

   FST Russell stated that the agreement with Misco Water complies with the District's Sole Source Procurement Policy because Misco Water is the only vendor capable of providing a compatible system and installation. He continued that the proposed $94,274 cost will be funded using $88,000 from the FY27 Capital Acquisition Budget, with the remaining balance covered by excess funds from the Batiquitos Joint Facilities Anode Replacement Project which was awarded under budget.

   Chairperson Brown asked if sun exposure could degrade the PVC tube settlers. FSS Gonzalez confirmed the material will not be impacted, as the PVC tubes sit deep enough underwater to avoid exposure. Chairperson Brown inquired about the second vendor for the project. FSS Gonzalez clarified that the vendor was unable to perform the installation portion of the scope, which was a requirement in the District's contract specifications.

   Following discussion, the EC concurred with staff to forward this recommendation to the Board.

5. **FY2026 Audit of the District's 2025 Sewer System Management Plan**

   Receive and file the 2026 Audit of the District's 2025 Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) completed by Dexter Wilson Engineering, Inc.

   FSS Gonzalez and Mr. Steven Henderson from Dexter Wilson Engineering, Inc. (DWEI) presented this item to the EC.

   FSS Gonzalez stated that completing the audit is a FY27 tactical goal and provided brief background on the State of California Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) and the District's SSMP. He highlighted that the LWD conducts an annual audit, which exceeds regulatory requirements, and introduced Mr. Henderson to present the SSMP audit results.

   Mr. Henderson provided overview details regarding the WDR revision, the District's SSMP, and the audit requirements. He noted that the SSMP and the annual audits are to ensure the proper operation and maintenance of collection systems to reduce the number and volume of sewer spills. Mr. Henderson concluded that the District's activities, programs, and efforts meet or exceed the SSMP requirements and that no significant changes to the SSMP are needed at this time. He noted the next formal SSMP Update will be required in 2031.

   The EC asked several questions regarding private lateral spills and the Lateral Reimbursement Program, including customer outreach. Staff provided responses to these questions.

   Following discussion, the EC concurred with staff to forward this recommendation to the Board.

6. **Information Items**
   CPM Riffel provided an update on the Batiquitos Pump Station (B3) Force Main Condition Assessment. The EC asked several questions regarding the condition assessment and staff answered their questions.

7. **Directors' Comments**
   Director Roesink thanked staff for their good work on the Batiquitos Pump Station (B3) Force Main Condition Assessment.

8. **General Manager's Comments**
   GM Bushee provided an update on the La Costa Pump Station Replacement Project. The EC asked several questions regarding the project and staff answered their questions.

9. **Adjournment**
   Chairperson Brown adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:35 p.m.

Paul J. Bushee,
Secretary/Manager
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