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Eldorado Springs LID Advisory Committee

September 18, 2025, 6:30 p.m.
TEAMS Video Conference Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Tod Smith

Guests: Gabby Begeman (ORC). Heidi Gerstung (Resident)

County Staff: Taylor Ladenburg (PW), Kate Burke (CA)

Minutes: August minutes were approved.

Past Action Items:

Compliance reports: There was a violation of the TIN limit. The first sample was greater than our 10 mg/L limit and a second sample was within the limit.

CDPHE issued a Cease and Desist / Notice of Violation (C&D/NOV) against the district which is an escalation from previous violation advisories. The district was ordered to immediately cease new violations and to review permit standards. Another part of the required corrective action involves retaining an engineering firm to review and optimize the facility or to recommend alternatives such as building a new facility. Thankfully the County has already contracted JVA Engineering to do similar work. A small change order will be issued to fully align the plant optimization report to fit all requirements of the state.

The County is preparing a formal response to the CDPHE C&D/NOV. The NOV list violations going back to 2020. Some violations will be acknowledged while some will be argued. Part of the issue is the discharge permit being on administrative extension and not being allowed to make changes to the plant or operations.

ORC Ops Report:

- Two-year rolling average of E Coli is still out of compliance until the two big violations in March and November drop off the calculation.
- For the new members, we discussed how the operations report typically covers sampling data, compliance, general maintenance and repairs of the facility and collection system.

Claire Levy
County Commissioner



Marta Loachamin
County Commissioner



Ashley Stolzmann
County Commissioner

- We aren't currently expecting tighter regulations on our permit, we had a alternative analysis done in February of 2021 to show CDPHE the need to increase our TIN limit. Other limits may change in the future as we renew or change our permit.

Invoices and Budget

- Invoices were as expected.

New/Old Business:

- New utility billing rates will need to be set once the district receives the JVA engineering report and can plan on future expansion and repairs of the facility. The advisory committee will discuss and give a recommendation to the board of directors of the district (BOCC).
- The Notice of Violation from CDPHE will result in expediting the next rate increases in order to pay for any corrective actions required by the state.
- Some grants are available to potentially help fund capital improvement projects.
- Once the committee has more members (and a quorum) we will elect a chair and vice chair to lead the committee.
- The "Operator in Responsible Charge" contract with ORC Water Professionals is nearing expiration and the next contract for this work is required to go out for public bids. The RFP was sent to the seventeen companies who were identified as holding the necessary operators' license and collections licenses for the plant and doing work on the front range.

New Action/Agenda Items:

- Taylor to send Heidi G follow-up information including past meeting minutes, CDPHE NOV, and other relevant information for her new position in the advisory committee.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.