### Representative Policy Board Finance Committee

South Central Connecticut Regional Water District 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut

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### **AGENDA**

### Regular Meeting of Monday, September 8, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

- 1. Safety Moment
- 2. Approval of Minutes August 11, 2025 meeting
- 3. Consider and act on proposed resolution for the North Branford Storage Replacement Tank Associated Financing for recommendation to the Representative Policy Board
- 4. Quarterly Report on RPB approved projects
- 5. New Business
- 6. Next meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2025
- 7. Adjourn

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## SAFETY MOMENT

### Fall Driving Dangers & Tips to Stay Safe

Safety

**Fap**Into

With the fall season approaching, it is time to shift gears on driving safety. Fall brings its own set of hazards that can result in damage or injury if you are inattentive when behind the wheel.

### Below are possible threats that require special attention in this season:

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- Darkness make sure car headlights are working properly
- 2. Animals be aware of deer and other small animals crossing roadways
- 3. Leaves wet leaves can cause slippery roads, leave plenty of stopping distance
  - 4. Tires check tire pressure and traction
- 5. Dampness be aware of puddles on the roadway
- 6. Glare have sunglasses handy and keep windshields
- 7. Fog use low beams in addition to headlights



# Service - Teamwork - Accountability - Respect - Safety

Safety is a core value at the RWA. It is our goal to reduce preventable workplace injuries to zero.

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### Representative Policy Board

### **Finance Committee**

South Central Connecticut Regional Water District 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and Via Remote Access

### **MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Vincent M. Marino, Thomas P. Clifford III, Jasper J. Jaser, Carolyn Mancini(R),

Timothy Slocum(R), Michelle Verderame(R), and Jamie Mowat Young(R)

Member Absent: James X. DiCarlo

**RPB Members:** Robert E. Harvey, Jr., Naomi Campbell(R), and Charles Havrda(R)

**Authority:** Ms. Sack(R)

Management: Sunny Lakshminarayanan, Rochelle Kowalski, Victor Benni, and Jim Hill(R)

**OCA:** Atty. Jeffrey Donofrio(R)

Staff: Jennifer Slubowski

Chair Marino called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

On motion made by Mr. Clifford, and seconded by Mr. Jaser, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of its July 7, 2025 meeting, as presented, with Chair Marino abstaining.

Chair Marino stated that there was a proposed resolution for the completeness, mode, and date of publication for the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project Application.

On motion made by Mr. Clifford, and seconded by Mr. Jaser, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend the following resolution to the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") at its next meeting on August 28, 2025:

WHEREAS the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, on July 29, 2025, filed an Application with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for approval of the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project (the "Application"); and

**WHEREAS** the Finance Committee of the Representative Policy Board reviewed the Application and recommended that the Application be accepted by the RPB as complete; and

**WHEREAS** the Finance Committee recommended that a public hearing be conducted by a Presiding Member; and

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**WHEREAS** the Finance Committee proposed a public hearing date of Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the RPB accepts the Finance Committee's recommendation to consider the Authority's Application and determined to hold a public hearing, to be conducted by a Presiding Member, on Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER,** that the Chairperson is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules of Practice, as amended.

Committee members discussed the inclusion of the RPB Rules of Practice to use as a resource when determining the completeness of applications.

Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Head of Corporate Development noted that the Committee's next agenda would include a Financing Resolution for the North Branford Water Storage Tank Replacement Project Application for consideration and recommendation to the RPB.

The next meeting is on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., hybrid.

At 5:05 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Clifford, and seconded by Mr. Slocum, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting.

Vincent M. Marino, Chair	

(R) = Attended remotely.

### REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT

### RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE NORTH BRANFORD WATER STORAGE TANK

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") proposes to issue its Bonds which may be issued as Project Loan Obligations delivered to the State of Connecticut (the "Bonds") in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, of the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut (the "Act") and the Water System Revenue Bond Resolution, General Bond Resolution, adopted by the Authority and approved by the Representative Policy Board of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District (the "RPB") on July 31, 1980, as amended and supplemented (the "General Bond Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Authority to issue its bonds from time to time but subject to the approval of the RPB.

### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The RPB hereby approves the issuance of the Authority's Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Eleven Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$11,200,000).
- 2. The Bonds may be issued as obligations in one or more series pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and a supplemental resolution to be adopted by the Authority for each series of Bonds, each of which shall specify the amount of the Bonds, the purposes for which the Bonds are to be issued, the date or dates, maturities, sinking fund installments if any, interest rates, series, denominations, form, redemption prices, security provisions and such other details of the Bonds as the Authority shall determine in accordance with the limits established by the General Bond Resolution and hereby.
- 3. The purposes of the Bonds shall be (I) to finance or refinance the cost of certain capital improvements to the water system of the Authority including the replacement of the North Branford Water Storage Tank (II) to provide funds for deposit to the Capital Contingency Fund and the Debt Reserve Fund, as necessary pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and as permitted by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and (III) to pay costs of issuance (the "Project").
- 4. The Bonds may be sold by negotiation as serial or term bonds with stated maturities and may be sold in a private or direct placement to a bank or the State of Connecticut.



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### STATUS OF RPB-APPROVED PROJECTS FIRST QUARTER FISCAL YEAR 2026 REPORT JUNE – AUGUST 2026

### Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant Clarifier, Recycle Pump Station, & Concrete Restoration

Date Approved by the RPB: March 2022 Amount Approved by the RPB: \$8,659,500 Amount Expended to Date: \$4,484,520

Estimated Final Cost of the Project: \$4,800,000

Scheduled Completion: November 2023 Anticipated Completion: October 2025

During the quarter, the contractor, Kovacs Construction, continued to address minor punch list items and small change order efforts to progress the project to completion. Construction is fully complete, with paperwork items remaining to be resolved. All four clarifiers, four new recycle pumps, sludge pumps and associated piping are in full use. Three of the five percent project retainage is expected to be released in September. Record as-built drawings are expected by the end of October, at which time the project will be closed out.

### Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant HVAC and Electrical Improvements

Date Approved by the RPB: March 2022 Amount Approved by the RPB: \$6,130,800 Amount Expended to Date: \$3,621,134

Estimated Final Cost of the Project: \$6,130,800

Scheduled Completion: May 2024 Anticipated Completion: May 2026

During the quarter, coordination between JLY Contractors and RWA continued in support of ongoing project implementation. Within the mechanical scope, selective demolition of HVAC components was carried out, including ductwork, boilers, and air handling units (AHUs). Two new AHUs have been installed, and hydronic and mechanical piping installation progressed across multiple system zones. Additionally, work continued with RWA's commissioning agent, with participation from the general contractor and relevant subcontractors.

### Lake Whitney Dam & Spillway Improvements Phase I – Initial Design Project

Date Approved by the RPB: June 2022

Amount Approved by the RPB: Not to exceed \$5,520,000

Amount Expended to Date: \$3,298,564

Estimated Final Cost of Initial Design: \$3,500,000

Scheduled Completion: September 2023 Anticipated Completion: November 2025

During the quarter the design team continued work on the design of the dam with the upstream option. The design work is progressing toward 100% completion.

### CIS (Customer Information System)

Date Approved by the RPB: September 2022 Amount Approved by the RPB: \$14,808,000 Amount Expended to Date: \$15,802,752

Estimated Final Cost of the Project: \$16,011,661

Scheduled Completion: September 2024

Actual Completion: June 2025

Go Live of the new system occurred on April 2, as planned. The post Go-Live period occurred between April and June 30. We transitioned into production AMS (Application Managed Support) with Itineris on June 30. There are certain deferred items that were implemented during the quarter and others in process. Final payment on the project is expected to be issued in September.

### Derby Wellfield Facility Chemical Improvements

Date Approved by the RPB: August 2023 Amount Approved by the RPB: \$3,300,000 Amount Expended to Date: \$2,625,490

Estimated Final Cost of the Project: \$3,300,000

Scheduled Completion: April 2025 Anticipated Completion: October 2025

During the quarter, the contractor, Kovacs Construction, completed installation of the chemical systems, including new tanks, pumps, and plumbing. Chemical systems were pressure and leak tested. New electrical control panels were tested and programmed by RWA's Instrumentation & Control staff. New chemical feed pumps were started up, tested, and are now operable. All lighting and electrical systems have been completed. A new electrical main service was installed from the utility pole to the building to accommodate the new meter can and main breaker. New HVAC exhaust fans and louvers have been installed throughout the building. Project completion is now expected in the second quarter of FY 2026.

### Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Feed Improvements

Date Approved by the RPB: May 2024 Amount Approved by the RPB: \$3,100,000

Amount Expended to Date: \$380,209

Estimated Final Cost of the Project: \$3,100,000

Scheduled Completion: October 2025 Anticipated Completion: June 2026

During the quarter, the contractor, Kovacs Construction, mobilized to the site and initiated demolition of the caustic and sodium hypochlorite systems. RWA treatment staff continued operation of the temporary caustic feed system.

### Lake Gaillard and Lake Saltonstall Water Treatment Plants Electrical Upgrades

Date Approved by the RPB: July 2025

Amount Approved by the RPB: \$14,000,000

Amount Expended to Date: \$893,853

Estimated Final Cost of the Project: \$14,000,000

Scheduled Completion: April 2028 Anticipated Completion: April 2028

During the quarter, the 90% design progressed. In June of 2025, the project team presented at the public hearing for the project. The Representative Policy Board subsequently approved the project application at their meeting on July 24. Final design review meetings were conducted with engineers consulting on the project prior to submission of design documents for Connecticut Department of Public Health review in accordance with DWSRF requirements.