

SPRINGFIELD UTILITY BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2019-5
EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 1919
July 2019

**JOINT RESOLUTION DIRECTING GENERAL MANAGERS TO STUDY AND REPORT
ON OPTIONS FOR USE OF WILLAMETTE RIVER WATER**

WHEREAS, Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB) and Springfield Utility Board (SUB) hold separate rights to water from the Willamette River, and either are putting water under their respective rights to beneficial use or intend to do so;

WHEREAS, SUB owns land next to the Willamette River on which it owns and operates a plant that has the capacity to treat and treats some of the Willamette River water SUB has the authority to use;

WHEREAS, EWEB owns land in Glenwood which is near SUB's water treatment plant and on which EWEB is considering building a plant to treat the Willamette River water it has authority to use;

WHEREAS, EWEB and SUB have collaborated on utility matters before and have benefited from that collaboration; and

WHEREAS, there may be opportunities or options whereby EWEB and SUB can more effectively and efficiently put their rights to Willamette River water to beneficial use for their respective customers by working together than by working separately while, at the same time, fully protecting their respective water rights, remaining independent utilities, and taking into account their existing water infrastructures and the importance of redundancy and resiliency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eugene Water & Electric Board and the Springfield Utility Board that:

1. The General Managers of the two utilities together shall conduct a study to determine whether and, if so, in what ways EWEB and SUB could more effectively and efficiently put their rights to Willamette River water to

beneficial use for their respective customers by working together than by working separately while, at the same time, fully protecting their respective water rights, remaining independent utilities, and taking into account their existing water infrastructures and the importance of redundancy and resiliency;

2. Each utility shall bear its own staff costs related to conducting this study;
3. If the General Managers decide that an independent, third-party expert or independent, third-party experts need(s) to be retained to assist in the study, the cost for the services of that expert or those experts shall be split fairly between EWEB and SUB in a manner determined in advance by the two utilities;
4. The General Managers shall submit a joint, written report stating the results of their study to the Boards of Directors of their respective utilities no later than March 31, 2020, unless an extension to submit the report has been granted by the two Boards of Directors before that time; and
5. The report shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, descriptions of the opportunities or options considered and the pros and cons of each opportunity or option, preliminary analyses of the capital and operational costs of each opportunity or option, any joint recommendations the General Managers wish to make and the reasons for those recommendations, and all significant materials supporting those recommendations.

Adopted at a meeting of the Eugene Water & Electric Board on _____.

Adopted at a meeting of the Springfield Utility Board on _____.

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD

SPRINGFIELD UTILITY BOARD

President

Chair

I, ANNE M. KAH the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Assistant Secretary of the Eugene Water & Electric Board, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board at its _____, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Assistant Secretary

I, JEFF NELSON, appointed by the Board as acting Secretary of the Springfield Utility Board, do hereby attest that the above is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board at its _____, 2019, Regular Board Meeting.

Secretary