

MEMORANDUM

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD



TO:	Commissioners Brown, Mital, Helgeson, Manning and Simpson
FROM:	Cathy Bloom, Finance Manager; Debbie Matheney, Accounting Analyst II
DATE:	October 27, 2014
SUBJECT:	Resolution No. 1415: 2014 Trojan Annual Operating Budget
OBJECTIVE:	Board approval of Revised 2014 and Proposed 2015 Budgets for the Trojan
	Nuclear Plant

Issue

The Consent Calendar for the November 4, 2014 Board Meeting includes a recommendation for Board approval of the Proposed 2015 Budget for the Trojan Nuclear Plant. This memorandum provides background for that recommendation. As described below, Bonneville pays all EWEB costs for Trojan and has indicated they will approve the 2015 budget, making the Board's action perfunctory, but necessary for compliances with policy.

Background

The Trojan nuclear plant was constructed in the early 1970's by Portland General Electric, EWEB, and Pacific Power & Light Company with EWEB owning a 30 percent share. Trojan operated from 1976 until 1993 when the owners agreed to shut down and decommission the facility.

EWEB and Bonneville entered into an agreement whereby EWEB assigned its rights to power to the project in return for Bonneville paying all EWEB costs related to project operation, maintenance and decommissioning as well as EWEB debt service and internal costs related to oversight. In 1981, EWEB assigned its rights to any future power from the project to Bonneville. Bonneville has been and will continue to pay EWEB's share of the costs in accordance with the EWEB-BPA Net Billing Agreement for Trojan.

At this point, almost all of the decommissioning of the project is complete. All of the spent fuel has been transferred to a long-term storage facility at the Trojan site and will remain there until such time as it can be relocated to a federal waste repository. Remaining costs included primarily relate to the spent fuel storage costs. There is certain remaining property owned by the project which is gradually being disposed of over time.

Discussion

Each year, the co-owners review and approve the Trojan Project operating budget as prepared and proposed by Portland General Electric. Part of that process includes review and approval by the Board.

Bonneville is currently reviewing the Trojan project budget as proposed by PGE and EWEB's share of that proposed budget. PGE's approval of proposed budget is expected prior to the end of this year.

As mentioned above, under the term of the Net Billing Agreement between Bonneville and EWEB, Bonneville will pay 100 percent of EWEB's share of the costs associated with Trojan.

In the Trojan Budget, the largest single cost relates to the spent fuel storage. Of the \$1.4 million budgeted as EWEB's share of the expenses, \$1.3 million of that relates to spent fuel storage.

In mid-2009, the Trojan owners were notified that the stay on the litigation concerning financial responsibility for the spent fuel storage was being lifted. (In this litigation, the Trojan owners sought to get the federal government to pay some or all of the costs of maintaining the spent fuel storage based on the federal government's failure to take responsibility for spent fuel storage at a central repository.) The Court ruled in favor of payment by the federal government on the Department of Energy litigation in July 2013 and the first pass through payment of \$24.4 million was received by EWEB and issued to Bonneville Power Administration on September 10, 2013. A second pass through payment of \$2.6 million was received by EWEB and issued to Bonneville Power Administration on August 11, 2014 for years 2010-2012.

With the Trojan bonds now paid off and expenses at a relatively small level, Bonneville has been paying EWEB for Trojan expenses directly rather than going through the net billing process.

Recommendation

Staff recommends Board approval of the Consent Calendar item titled "2015 Trojan Annual Operating Budget."

Requested Board Action

Board approval of resolution 1415 for the Revised 2014 and Proposed 2015 Trojan Annual Operating Budgets is requested.

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2014 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET - FINAL (In Thousands of Dollars)

	2014 Revised	2014 Proposed	Increase/ (Decrease)
EWEB's share of operation costs	\$46	\$100	(\$54)
EWEB's share of decommissioning costs	1,959	1,718	241
EWEB's share of capital additions	9	9	(0)
TOTAL EWEB SHARE OF PGE COSTS	2,014	1,827	187
EWEB's direct costs	29	69	(40)
TOTAL OTHER COSTS	29	69	(40)
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	2,043	1,896	147
LESS:	<i>(</i> - - - -)	<i>(</i>)	
Prior year general fund carry-over	(302)	(330)	28
General fund interest income	(1)	(2)	1
PLUS:			
Year end general fund balance	383	300	83
TOTAL REQUIREMENT	2,123	1,864	259
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE NET BILLED	2,123	1,864	259
ANNUAL FINANCING			
Beginning general fund balance	302	330	(28)
Net billings	2,123	1,864	259
Interest earnings on gen fund invest	1	2	(1)
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	2,426	2,196	230
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	2,043	1,896	147
ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$383	\$300	\$83

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2014 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET - FINAL (In Thousands of Dollars)

DECOMMISSIONING COSTS

	2014	2014	Increase/
	Revised	Proposed	(Decrease)
USDOE Litigation Costs	\$50	\$50	\$0
Prior Year USDOE Litigation Costs (2011-2012)	\$755	\$0	\$755
ISFSI	\$5,726	\$5,676	\$50
DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	6,531	5,726	805
EWEB'S SHARE OF DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$1,959	\$1,718	\$242

CAPITAL ADDITIONS

	2014 Revised	2014 Proposed	Increase/ (Decrease)
Capital Jobs	\$29	\$29	\$0
EWEB'S SHARE OF CAPITAL ADDITIONS	\$9	\$9	\$0

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2014 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET - FINAL

EWEB DIRECT COSTS

	2014 Revised	2014 Proposed	Increase/ (Decrease)
Labor Overhead	\$7,450 745	\$16,472 1,647	(\$9,022) (902)
LABOR & TRAVEL	8,195	18,119	(9,924)
Legal	21,033	50,000	(28,967)
Trustee	352	1,000	(648)
OTHER	21,385	51,000	(29,615)
EWEB DIRECT COSTS	\$29,580	\$69,119	(\$39,539)

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY (In Thousands of Dollars)

-	2015 Budget	2014 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
EWEB's share of operation costs	\$47	\$46	\$1
EWEB's share of decommissioning costs	1,347	1,959	(612)
EWEB's share of capital additions	0	9	(9)
TOTAL EWEB SHARE OF PGE COSTS	1,394	2,014	(620)
EWEB's direct costs	94	29	65
TOTAL OTHER COSTS	94	29	65
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	1,488	2,043	(555)
LESS:			
Prior year general fund carry-over	(383)	(302)	(81)
General fund interest income	(2)	(1)	(1)
PLUS:			
Year end general fund balance	300	383	(83)
TOTAL REQUIREMENT	1,403	2,123	(720)
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE NET BILLED	1,403	2,123	(720)
ANNUAL FINANCING			
Beginning general fund balance	383	302	81
Net billings	1,403	2,123	(720)
Interest earnings on gen fund invest	2	1	1
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	1,788	2,426	(638)
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	1,488	2,043	(555)
ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$300	\$383	(\$83)

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY (In Thousands of Dollars)

DECOMMISSIONING COSTS

	2015	2014	Increase/
	Budget	Revised	(Decrease)
USDOE Litigation Costs	\$20	\$50	(\$30)
Prior Year USFOE Ligitation Costs (2011-2012)	\$0	\$755	(\$755)
ISFSI	\$4,471	\$5,726	(\$1,255)
DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	4,491	6,531	(2,040)
EWEB'S SHARE OF DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$1,347	\$1,959	(\$612)

CAPITAL ADDITIONS

	2015 Budget	2014 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
Capital Jobs	\$0	\$29	(\$29)
EWEB'S SHARE OF CAPITAL ADDITIONS	<u>\$0</u>	\$9	(\$9)

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY (In Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATION & OTHER COSTS

	2015 Budget	2014 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
Administrative & General	\$0	\$29	(\$29)
Property Insurance	9	9	0
Injuries and Damages	2	2	0
Employee Benefits	17	10	7
Misc. General Expenses	131	97	34
OPERATIONS	159	147	12
Payroll taxes	7	4	3
Other interest expense/Rental Revenue	(9)	(9)	0
OTHER	(2)	(5)	3
OTHER WORKING CAPITAL CHANGE	0	10	(10)
TOTAL OPERATION & OTHER	157	152	5_
EWEB'S SHARE OF O & M COSTS	47	46	1

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY

EWEB DIRECT COSTS

	2015 Budget	2014 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
Labor	\$16,472	\$7,450	\$9,022
Overhead	1,647	745	902
LABOR & TRAVEL	18,119	8,195	9,924
Legal Trustee	75,000 1,000	21,033 352	53,967 648
OTHER EWEB DIRECT COSTS	76,000 \$94,119	21,385 \$29,580	54,615 \$64,539

RESOLUTION NO 1415 November 2014

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD 2015 Trojan Budget

WHEREAS, the Eugene Water & Electric Board is the body designated by the Eugene City Charter and City Code to administer the Electric and Water utilities of the City of Eugene;

WHEREAS, the Trojan nuclear plant was constructed in the early 1970's by Portland General Electric, EWEB and Pacific Power & Light Company with EWEB owning a 30 percent share;

WHEREAS, the owners agreed to shut down and decommission the facility after operating it from 1976 – 1993;

WHEREAS, EWEB and Bonneville entered into an agreement whereby EWEB assigned its rights to power to the project in return for Bonneville paying all EWEB costs related to project operation, maintenance and decommissioning as well as EWEB debt service and internal costs related to oversight;

WHEREAS, the co-owners review and approve the Trojan Project operating budget annually as prepared and proposed by Portland General Electric;

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

1. The Board hereby has reviewed and approves the 2014 revised and 2015 proposed Trojan Budgets.

DATED this 4th day of November 2014.

THE CITY OF EUGENE, OREGON Acting by and through the Eugene Water & Electric Board

President

I, TARYN M. JOHNSON, 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 November 4, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.

Assistant Secretary