

**EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
March 3, 2026
5:30 p.m.**

Commissioners Present: President John Brown, Vice President Sonya Carlson, and Commissioners John Barofsky, Mindy Schlossberg, and Tim Morris

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Frank Lawson, General Manager; Deborah Hart, Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer; Lisa Krentz, Chief Electric Operations Officer; and Gary Lentsch, Fleet Supervisor

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order [00:00:00]

President Brown called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Agenda Check [00:00:05]

There were no changes to the agenda.

Items From the Board and General Manager [00:01:20]

Commissioner Morris reported that Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) is hosting a fundraising dinner to support their Senior Meals Program on March 6, 2026 at the Cottage Grove Armory. He mentioned touring the inside of the College Hill water storage tank.

Vice President Carlson passed along recommendations from constituents related to smart meter fees and improving the billing system.

Commissioner Barofsky provided a report from the McKenzie Watershed Council, including that at their last meeting they received a presentation regarding a University of Oregon and EWEB study related to carbon sequestration and habitat restoration. He said the findings were encouraging.

President Brown reported on representing EWEB during a recent trip to Washington D.C. Discussions included concerns about privatizing Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), dam performance on the Willamette River, and potential rate impacts due to litigations at the state level. He also reported touring the inside of the College Hill water storage tank. He mentioned activity which will impact flow on the McKenzie River beginning March 6, 2026. President Brown said may not be available to attend the October 2026 meeting.

Correspondence [00:10:35]

A PowerPoint slide displayed highlights from the following correspondence item:

1. State Legislative Update (Board Policy GP13 & Resolution No. 2523)

Public Input: In-person or by Telephone [00:11:10]

Doug Myers, Ward 6, (via telephone) expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Rob Dickinson expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Nick Squires expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Aerin Nilsen expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Sue Pileggi, Ward 6, expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Katie Geiser expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Peter Dragovich, Ward 5, expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Michelle Holman expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Bernadette Bourassa expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Jim Neu, Ward 7, expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Patricia Hine, on behalf of 350 Eugene, expressed support of Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373.

Joel Moll, on behalf of McKenzie River Trust, thanked General Manager Lawson for his leadership and encouraged further partnership between EWEB and McKenzie River Trust.

Vice President Carlson thanked those who provided public testimony regarding Lane County Watersheds Bills of Rights – Measure 20-373. She reaffirmed her commitment to protecting watersheds. She said she met with proponents of Measure 20-373, attended two related forums, and received feedback from EWEB legal counsel. Vice President Carlson concluded that while she agrees with the intent of the measure, if passed it could harm existing watershed protection efforts and potentially impact ratepayers.

BOARD ACTION AND GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

Resolution No. 2607 – Watershed Bill of Rights – Lane County Measure 20-373 [00:51:45]

President Brown engaged the Board in a discussion of Resolution No. 2607 regarding the Watershed Bill of Rights – Lane County Measure 20-373.

Commissioner Schlossberg agreed with petitioners that industrial and agricultural runoff and pollution need to be addressed. She provided examples of how EWEB has been an excellent steward of the watershed. She said after hearing from EWEB attorneys, the ballot measure is too broad, citing the possibility for increased litigation. Commissioner Schlossberg said she would welcome another iteration of the measure.

Commissioner Morris reaffirmed EWEB's responsibility to its ratepayers and the environment. While aligning with the intent of the measure, he agreed with other commissioners that the measure language is too broad. He voiced his specific concerns with supporting the measure, including the potential to impact rates and existing programs.

Commissioner Barofsky agreed with commissioners. He concluded that after having researched the measure, it has impacts beyond what the petitioners are hoping to achieve.

President Brown reaffirmed his longstanding commitment to protecting local watersheds. Regarding the proposed measure, he cited ambiguity and uncertainty. He agreed with Commissioner Schlossberg that he would welcome another iteration of the measure.

Vice President Carlson had no additional comments regarding Resolution No. 2607.

MOTION: President Brown moved to approve Resolution No. 2607 regarding Lane County Watersheds Bill of Rights – Measure 20-373.

The motion passed unanimously, 5:0:0; President Brown, Vice President Carlson, Commissioner Schlossberg, Commissioner Barofsky, and Commissioner Morris all voting in favor.

Approval of Consent Calendar – A, Minutes and Routine Contracts [01:03:50]

MINUTES

1. a. January 30, 2026 Executive Session
- b. February 3, 2026 Regular Session
- c. February 17, 2026 Special Meeting

CONTRACTS

2. Dell Marketing – for additional funds for computer hardware, software, and support. \$1,500,000 (through 6/30/2029) (expected spend \$3,000,000 over 7 years) under the Midwestern Higher Education Cooperative Contract.
3. Global Rental Company (Altec) – for the use of a cooperative contract for one (1) Altec Insulated Backyard Digger Derrick – \$267,000.
4. Oregon Woods Inc., Northwest Reforestation LLC, and Habitat Contracting LLC – for as-needed vegetation management services on EWEB owned or controlled properties. \$750,000 (resulting cumulative total \$750,000 between 3 contracts over 5-years) based on formal invitation to bid.

5. RWC Group – for the use of a cooperative contract for one (1) International Dump Truck – \$212,000 (one-time).

MOTION: Commissioner Schlossberg moved to approve Consent Calendar A, minus Item 5 (RWC Group). The motion passed unanimously, 5:0:0; President Brown, Vice President Carlson, Commissioner Schlossberg, Commissioner Barofsky, and Commissioner Morris all voting in favor.

Items Removed from Consent Calendar [01:04:27]

Commissioner Barofsky sought more information about Item 5, an RWC Group cooperative contract for one International dump truck. He requested a future memorandum on the item. He asked about the replacement schedule for dump trucks.

General Manager Lawson responded that replacing dump trucks can depend on the hours of the vehicle, not just the years.

Fleet Supervisor Gary Lentsch agreed. He added that the typical replacement on a dump truck starts as early as 15 years. He said the dump truck they are recommending be replaced is 20 years old. He added further context about their recommendation, including challenges getting the dump truck up to speed.

MOTION: Commissioner Schlossberg moved to approve Item 5 (RWC Group) on Consent Calendar A. The motion passed 5:0:0; President Brown, Vice President Carlson, Commissioner Schlossberg, Commissioner Barofsky, and Commissioner Morris all voting in favor.

Approval of Consent Calendar – B, Nonroutine Contracts and Other Consent Items [01:10:18]

CONTRACTS

6. capSpire, Inc. – for Commodity Transaction and Risk Management (CTRM) support services. \$300,000 (resulting cumulative total: \$1,120,000) based on direct negotiation.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

7. Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) – for additional funds for Geographic Information System (GIS) services. \$210,000 (includes spend over last approval) (resulting cumulative total: \$660,000) based on direct negotiation.

OTHER

8. EWEB/City of Eugene Joint Initiatives Agenda

MOTION: Commissioner Schlossberg moved to approve Consent Calendar B. The motion passed unanimously, 5:0:0; President Brown, Vice President Carlson, Commissioner Schlossberg, Commissioner Barofsky, and Commissioner Morris all voting in favor.

Jacobs dba CH2M Hill for Carmen-Smith Engineering Services – Increase to Contract for Design Services [01:10:30]

Chief Electric Operations Officer Lisa Krentz provided information related to Jacobs dba CH2M Hill for Carmen-Smith Engineering Services, specifically increasing the spending limit.

Ms. Krentz explained that the scope has expanded over time due to dam safety concern mandates and regulatory requirements for protected species. The increase in scope has created additional costs. She said they are requesting funds of \$4.55 million to authorize work already underway and an additional \$3.6 million for a revised location of the trap-and-hall facility, the Smith spillway expansion project, and updating seismic requirements.

She said they share the Board's concern about cost. While they do not have fully updated construction cost estimates yet, they are including estimated costs for design and construction in the Capital Improvement Plan progress report in July. Once they have the construction cost estimates, a comprehensive update will be provided.

Responding to cost concerns raised by President Brown, Ms. Krentz said the contractor has been working on the project for a long time and they have site-specific knowledge that they incorporate into the designs. She said getting another contractor up-to-speed would likely not be cost effective.

President Brown challenged the contract renewal on the basis of increased costs to rate payers. He sought additional information.

Ms. Krentz responded that if the contract were not approved, they would not be able to advance work on license required projects. The alternative could cost rate payers more over time.

Commissioner Barofsky asked where the funds will come from.

Assistant General Manager Deborah Hart responded that the project will be primarily bond funded.

Commissioner Barofsky asked if the Smith Reservoir will open this year.

Ms. Krentz responded affirmatively.

MOTION: Commissioner Barofsky moved to approve Jacobs dba CH2M for Carmen-Smith Engineering Services – Increase to Contract for Design Services. The motion passed unanimously, 5:0:0; President Brown, Vice President Carlson, Commissioner Schlossberg, Commissioner Barofsky, and Commissioner Morris all voting in favor.

State of the Utility / Q4 2025 Year-End Results – Operational and Strategic Goals Report [01:35:08]

General Manger Lawson provided a State of the Utility / Q4 2025 Year-End Results – Operational and Strategic Goals Report via PowerPoint presentation, including financial performance, safety/wellness, reliability, workforce, and community impact.

Financial Performance

- Solid financial performance despite low water year (electric generation)
- Board financial metrics within target (policy); except return on net book value; current ratio
- Rates (2026 revenue requirement): 3.9% electric, 6.0% water
- Affordability factor at 3.2 (both water and electric – energy only “burden” is 6.0%)

He provided a graph detailing how the customer care budget adjusts with budget/other sources.

Safety/Wellness

- Outstanding DART rate performance (vs. National, Top 3 EWEB History)
- Injury/time loss below 3-yr. average and national averages
- “Good Catch” reporting strong
- 100% workforce completion of Oregon OSHA trainings
- Wellness program participation of 70% in 2025, up from 52% in 2024
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP) utilization increased in 2025

Reliability

- 3.14 million MWh, 8.23 billion gallons of drinking water delivered
- EWEB’s hydro generation availability at 45%
- Electric delivery reliability consistent and better than most benchmarks; vegetation backlog declining
- Watershed monitoring continues; finished water quality remained excellent
- Water delivery consistent and better than most benchmarks; outages spiked in Q3 and Q4

He provided a graph detailing the percentage of customers who experienced planned or unplanned power outages.

Workforce Updates/Trends

- Conducted market assessment true-up of 239 positions
- Attrition of 4.26% (decreased by 46% in 2025)
- Recruitment: Increase of 66% in applications received
- Career advancement included 28% female, 13% minority, 5% veteran

Community Impact(s)

- \$15,754,533 CILT to City of Eugene, City of Springfield
- EWEB incentives funded 14,575 MWh of energy savings (35% of funds to Limited Income)
- Funded \$1.85 million in limited income bill assistance (ECC, Energy Share)
- Funded 550 zero-interest loans at \$4.75 million
- 6,300 water leak notifications
- EWEB Ambassadors – 700+ hours

Mr. Lawson presented 18 goals along with detailed comments related to the progress of each goal.

He thanked the Board for their guidance, outlining the following significant directions/actions:

- Bonneville Power Administration 2028-2044 Provider of Choice Contract
- Sierra Pacific (Seneca Sustainable Energy, LLC) "Cost Neutral" Extension
- McKenzie Valley Service Territory Transfer to Lane Electric Cooperative
- Approved initial 30% design – Willamette Water Treatment Plant
- Oversight/approval of \$400.7 million electric, \$86.6 water budgets
- EWEB Business Management System (Revised 2026 organizational goals)
- Ongoing policy review/revisions
- General Manager recruitment and selection

General Manager Lawson and Assistant General Manager Hart responded to questions from the Board related to the operational and strategic goals report.

Future Board Agendas [02:09:00]

There were no suggestions for future board agendas.

Board Wrap Up [02:10:15]

Commissioner Barofsky thanked commissioners for the in-depth conversation regarding Measure 20-373.

President Brown praised EWEB Legislative Representative Jason Hueser.

Adjourn [02:12:56]

President Brown adjourned the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Assistant Secretary

President

Recorded by Terah Van Dusen, Lane Council of Governments (LCOG)

**EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD
EXECUTIVE SESSION
4200 ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD, EUGENE**

MARCH 17, 2026

Commissioners Present: John Brown, President; Sonya Carlson, Vice President; Mindy Schlossberg, Tim Morris, John Barofsky, Commissioners

Others present: Frank Lawson, General Manager

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(i)

To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the General Manager.

President John Brown adjourned the Executive Session meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Assistant Secretary

President

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **AB Utility Contractors, Inc.** for **Concrete Removal and Replacement Services.**

Board Meeting Date: April 7, 2026
Project Name/Contract #: Concrete Removal and Replacement Services - GROUP A / 25-213-PW
Manager: Mike Masters Ext. 7549
Executive Officer: Karen Kelley Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount: \$705,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0
Spend over last approval: \$0
Amount this Request: \$705,000
% Increase over last approval: NA
Resulting Cumulative Total: **\$705,000 (Over 5-years)**

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation: Formal Invitation to Bid
If applicable, basis for exemption: NA
Term of Agreement: April 9, 2026 – April 8, 2031
Option to Renew? No
Approval for purchases “as needed”: Yes No
Proposals/Bids Received (Range): 4 (\$705,375 TO \$1,467,255)
Selection Basis: Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder
Narrative:

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

EWEB’s water and electric systems are in continuous need of concrete removal and replacement services for work that involves cutting sidewalks, curbs and gutters, driveways or any other concrete area. To be efficient and effective, EWEB contracts these services with price agreements that allow EWEB to call for services needed on a per job basis, with a set base of unit costs. This provides EWEB with a flexible, cost-contained system for these required services.

Contracted Goods or Services

Services to be provided by the contractor include removal and disposal of previous concrete surfaces, site preparation, placement of concrete, finishing work, protection of surfaces, and cleanup of worksite. The overall contract cost estimate is based on historical and estimated usage. Purchases will be based on need and not on any specific annual quantity.

Purchasing Process

In December 2025, EWEB issued a formal Invitation to Bid for concrete removal and replacement services for two different levels of service, (GROUP A and GROUP B). The solicitation was publicly advertised on OregonBuys. Four (4) bids were received, and AB Utility Contractors, Inc. provided the lowest bid for GROUP A (services 100 square feet or less) and were deemed responsive and responsible.

Proposals/Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price
AB Utility	Harrisburg, OR	\$705,375
Pacific Excavation	Eugene, OR	\$898,465
Legacy Contracting	Stayton, OR	\$1,251,140
Brown Contracting	Eugene, OR	\$1,467,255

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Approved/Amended Amount to Date (Total)	Reason Code
20-208-PW	Concrete Removal & Replacement	1-5-21	1-8-21 to 4-9-26	\$518,400	\$610,000	AM
018-2015	Concrete Removal & Replacement	11-3-15	11-5-15 to 12-31-20	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000	
018-2010	Concrete Removal & Replacement	6-1-10	6-1-10 to 9-30-15	\$552,000	\$282,400	

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve a contract with AB Utility Contractors, Inc. for as needed concrete removal and replacement services. Approximately \$141,000 was planned for these services in the Water Division’s 2026 Type 1 – General Capital budget of approximately \$15 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

Budget Category: Water Capital, Type 1 & Water Construction O&M, Water Infrastructure – Distribution & Pipe Services

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **Pacific Excavation, Inc.** for **concrete removal and replacement services**.

Board Meeting Date:	April 7, 2026	
Project Name/Contract #:	Concrete Removal and Replacement Services - GROUP B / 25-213-PW	
Manager:	Mike Masters	Ext. 7549
Executive Officer:	Karen Kelley	Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount:	\$270,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved:	\$0
Spend over last approval:	\$0
Amount this Request:	\$270,000
% Increase over last approval:	NA
Resulting Cumulative Total:	\$270,000 (Over 5-years)

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation:	Formal Invitation to Bid
If applicable, basis for exemption:	NA
Term of Agreement:	April 9, 2026 - April 8, 2031
Option to Renew?	No
Approval for purchases "as needed":	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Proposals/Bids Received (Range):	4 (\$268,100 TO \$521,523)
Selection Basis:	Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder
Narrative:	

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

EWEB's water and electric systems are in continuous need of concrete removal and replacement services for work that involves cutting sidewalks, curbs and gutters, driveways or any other concrete area. To be efficient and effective, EWEB contracts these services with price agreements that allow EWEB to call for services needed on a per job basis, with a set base of unit costs. This provides EWEB with a flexible, cost-contained system for these required services.

Contracted Goods or Services

Services to be provided by contractor include removal and disposal of previous concrete surfaces, site preparation, placement of concrete, finishing work, protection of surfaces, and cleanup of worksite. The overall contract cost estimate is based on historical and estimated usage. Purchases will be based on need and not on any specific annual quantity.

Purchasing Process

In December 2025, EWEB issued a formal Invitation to Bid for concrete removal and replacement services for two different levels of service. The solicitation was publicly advertised on OregonBuys. Four (4) bids were received and Pacific Excavation, Inc. provided the lowest bid for GROUP B (services over 100 square feet) and was deemed responsive and responsible.

Proposals/Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price
Pacific Excavation	Eugene, OR	\$268,100
AB Utility	Harrisburg, OR	\$310,275
Brown Contracting	Eugene, OR	\$422,340
Legacy Contracting	Stayton, OR	\$521,523

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Approved/Amended Amount to Date (Total)	Reason Code
25-041-PW	Grant & Pierce St. Water Main Replacement	5-6-25	5-19-25 to 9-1-25	\$1,152,950	\$1,152,950	
20-208-PW	Concrete Removal & Replacement	1-5-21, 11-2-21, & 4-4-23	1-6-21 to 4-9-26	\$192,000	\$1,300,000	*AM
062-2014	6 th Ave Water Main Replacement- EmX Project	1-6-15	1-9-15 to 4-1-15	\$308,500	\$308,500	

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

*As communicated in the April 4, 2023 Board Consent Calendar Request, unforeseen demand, large concrete projects, and the City of Eugene requirement for bringing sidewalk ramps, including driveway approaches, up to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards substantially increased the use of this contract.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve a contract with Pacific Excavation, Inc. for as needed concrete removal and replacement services. Approximately \$54,000 was planned for these services in the Water Division’s 2026 Type 1 – General Capital budget of approximately \$15 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

BUDGET CATEGORY: Water Capital, Type 1 & Water Construction O&M, Water Infrastructure – Distribution & Pipe Services

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **Ferguson Waterworks** for **Ductile Iron Pipe**.

Board Meeting Date: April 7, 2026
Project Name/Contract #: Ductile Iron Pipe / 26-012-G
Manager: Mike Masters Ext. 7549
Executive Officer: Karen Kelley Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount: \$665,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0
Spend over last approval: \$0
Amount this Request: \$665,000
% Increase over last approval: NA
Resulting Cumulative Total: **\$665,000 (Over 5-years)**

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation: Formal Request for Proposals (RFP)
If applicable, basis for exemption: NA
Term of Agreement: April 9, 2026 – April 8, 2031
Option to Renew? No
Approval for purchases “as needed”: Yes No
Proposals/Bids Received (Range): 4 (\$664,332 to \$693,439)
Selection Basis: Highest Ranked Proposer
Narrative:

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

The Water Utility purchases and installs ductile iron pipe (DIP) per EWEB standards. DIP is the product used for new water main installations and in some cases, to repair existing water mains throughout EWEB’s water distribution system. DIP requires very little maintenance once it’s installed and is designed to last at least 100 years. DIP has the longest service life of any material on the market today and has as much as 90% recycled content; it is a 100% recyclable material.

Contracted Goods or Services

The Water Utility purchases DIP ranging in sizes between 4” to 24” in diameter, to be installed throughout EWEB’s service area. Also included in this proposed contract are the restrained gaskets used when joining the bell and spigot joints of DIP. The most commonly used sizes of DIP at EWEB are 4” to 12”. The overall contract cost estimate is based on historical and estimated usage. Purchases will be based on need and not on any specific annual quantity.

Purchasing Process

A formal Request for Proposals was posted on OregonBuys in January 2026. Four responses were received and deemed responsive and responsible. Criteria for scoring included ability to manage pricing, delivery, compliance with EWEB contract terms, and pricing. Responses were received from Consolidated Supply, HD Fowler, Ferguson Waterworks, and Core and Main. The proposals were evaluated and ranked in order of best overall value and price. Ferguson was selected as the highest-ranked proposer and will be contracted to receive no more than a 3.75% increase in their pricing per year.

Proposals/Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price
Ferguson Waterworks	Eugene, OR	\$664,332
HD Fowler Inc.	Eugene, OR	\$670,496
Consolidated Supply Co.	Eugene, OR	\$671,041
Core and Main	Lake Oswego, OR	\$693,439

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Approved/Amended Amount to Date (Total)	Reason Code
23-053-G	Low Lead Brass Fittings	6-7-23	6-8-23 to 6-8-28	\$1,417,674	\$1,417,674	
24-173-G	Dry Barrel Fire Hydrants	10-1-24	10-2-24 to 10-5-29	\$370,000	\$370,000	
22-187-G	Ductile Iron Fittings	2-7-23	2-8-23 to 2-9-28	\$1,315,300	\$1,315,300	

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve a contract with Ferguson Waterworks for ductile iron pipe. Approximately \$133,000 was planned for these goods in the Water Division’s 2026 Type 1 - General Capital Budget of approximately \$15 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

BUDGET CATEGORY: Water Capital, Type 1 & Water Construction O&M, Water Infrastructure – Distribution & Pipe Services

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a new contract with **Pacific Excavation, Inc.** for the **Myoak Drive Water Main Replacement**.

Board Meeting Date: April 7, 2026
Project Name/Contract #: Myoak Drive Water Main Replacement / 26-032-PW
Manager: Mike Masters Ext. 7549
Executive Officer: Karen Kelley Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount: \$280,000
Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0
Spend over last approval: \$0
Amount this Request: \$280,000
% Increase over last approval: NA
Resulting Cumulative Total: **\$280,000**

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation: Formal Invitation to Bid (ITB)
If applicable, basis for exemption: NA
Term of Agreement: Completion by September 30, 2026
Option to Renew? No
Approval for purchases "as needed": Yes No
Proposals/Bids Received (Range): 7 (\$276,074.20 - \$421,964.00)
Selection Basis: Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder
Narrative:

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

The Board is being asked to approve a construction contract for a water main replacement project on Myoak Drive from River Road to the Myoak Drive cul-de-sac. This project is being funded by the Santa Clara Water District (SCWD) who will reimburse EWEB for costs incurred on this contract. Project construction will start in May with substantial completion on August 31, 2026 and final completion on September 30, 2026.

This project is identified as a priority in the SCWD 2023 Capital Planning Memo and was recommended for replacement by EWEB. The memo ranks high risk pipeline projects within the water district according to an EWEB assessment of relative risk. The Myoak Drive project was ranked as the third highest risk to the water system with a risk of 47.1%. The project will improve the distribution system by increasing fire flows and replacing aging pipe with multiple leaks.

The project is located on a local access road serving residential customers. With EWEB and Santa Clara board approval, the project will replace approximately 1167' of 6" CI and 2" IP 76-year old pipe with a history of leaks.

This main replacement project will address distribution system deficiencies, and the new main will meet EWEB standards.

Contracted Goods or Services

If approved, the contractor will perform the water main replacement on Myoak Drive and River Road. The work will include installing approximately 767 feet of 8-inch ductile iron pipe and appurtenances, 400 feet of 2-inch HDPE pipe and appurtenances, and 26 1-inch services. The contractor will also be responsible for temporary and permanent restoration of the road surfacing.

Purchasing Process

Staff issued a Formal Invitation to Bid in March 2026. The solicitation was publicly advertised on the State of Oregon’s procurement site, OregonBuys and in the Daily Journal of Commerce. Seven (7) bids were received, and Pacific Excavation, Inc. provided the lowest responsive and responsible bid.

Proposals/Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price
Pacific Excavation, Inc.	Eugene, OR	\$276,074.20
Wildish Construction Co.	Eugene, OR	\$278,536.00
Greensuns, Inc.	Springfield, OR	\$312,361.00
JBX LLC	Eugene, OR	\$339,314.00
H&J Construction	Eugene, OR	\$344,946.00
Babb Construction Co.	Eugene, OR	\$354,707.63
Emery & Sons Construction	Salem, OR	\$421,964.00

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Approved/Amended Amount to Date (Total)	Reason Code
25-041	Grant St, Pierce St Water Main Replacement	5/6/25	5/19/25-09/01/25	\$1,153,000	\$1,153,000	
24-237	College Hill Storage Tank Construction	2/4/25	2/7/25-12/31/26	\$25,505,950	\$25,505,950	
24-101	Kennedy Middle EWS	8/6/24	8/7/24-12/20/24	\$415,600	\$420,857	AM/AW

Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve a contract with Pacific Excavation, Inc. for the Myoak Drive Water Main Replacement. Approximately \$400,000 was planned for these services in the Water Division’s 2026 budget of \$19 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

BUDGET CATEGORY: Water O&M, Construction, Maintenance & Construction Services

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Cooperative Contracts

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of a cooperative contract for the purchase of a **Hyster H175FT Forklift with Pape Material Handling (Hyster-Yale)**.

Board Meeting Date:	April 7, 2026	
Project Name/Contract #:	Hyster H175FT Forklift / 26-047-G	
Manager:	Scott Milovich	Ext. 7408
Executive Officer:	Karen Kelley	Ext. 7153
Expected Spend:	\$ 194,000 (One-Time Purchase)	

Narrative:

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of the Sourcewell 053024-HYS cooperative contract for the purchase of one (1) Hyster H175FT, 17,500 lb. forklift.

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

EWEB's Warehouse Operations require frequent handling of heavy equipment, transformers, and large utility components. These materials often exceed the lifting capacity of our current material handling resources, creating safety risks and operational inefficiencies. The existing 15,000-pound forklift is more than 19 years old and has surpassed its useful life expectancy as the primary large forklift, resulting in higher maintenance costs and reduced reliability. Its limited lifting capacity inhibits safe and efficient handling of loads required for daily operations. The proposed forklift meets OSHA and industry standards for material handling which supports EWEB's commitment to operational resilience and infrastructure reliability.

After researching various models, EWEB staff selected this model because it shares the same operating controls as our existing forklifts, promoting fleet standardization. Standardization is a common practice that reduces maintenance costs, enhances operator familiarity, improves crew safety, and ensures consistent adherence to manufacturer repair and maintenance requirements.

Staff also reviewed procurement options and confirmed that this equipment was previously awarded through a competitive cooperative process, which provides an efficient and cost-effective purchasing method. If approved, EWEB will purchase the Hyster H175FT, a 17,500-pound capacity forklift, at the established contract price. Pape' Material Handling of Eugene, Oregon, being our local Hyster-Yale dealer, offers same-day service for warranty and repairs. They can deliver the unit within 220 days of receiving the purchase order. This timeline ensures the procurement will fall under the 2026 budget.

Purchasing Process

Sourcewell is a local government unit from the state of Minnesota that assists public agencies to contract more efficiently than as an individual entity. They establish competitively awarded cooperative purchasing contracts on behalf of itself and its participating agencies, including EWEB. Sourcewell follows the competitive contracting law process to solicit, evaluate, and award contracts for goods and services which facilitates the public procurement process and leverages governmental agencies purchasing power.

Sourcewell 053024-HYS cooperative contract for Hyster products the purchase was executed on September 11, 2024, with an initial expiration date of June 23, 2028.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board authorize the use of a cooperative contract for the purchase of one (1) Hyster H175FT, 17,500 lb. forklift from Pape Material Handling (Hyster-Yale). This procurement is planned and budgeted in the 2026 Type 1, Capital Replacement budget for Fleet-Related Vehicles of \$2.4 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

BUDGET CATEGORY: Electric & Water O&M Capital, Type 1, EWEB Equipment