

Hi-Desert Water District Priority Project List

Type	Project Name	Project Description/Status	\$	Ready	Funded	#	Fund source	Lead	2023				2024				2025				2026				2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
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Capital/ Water	Storm Water Capture for Groundwater Replenishment	Explore options for storm water capture for groundwater replenishment to reduce reliance on the State Water Project imported water. Conceptual. Start with storm drain turnout at Paxton and OWS to connect to site 7. Working on permitting with County and make sure we have water rights. County provided sample agreement for District staff to review, Tony sent to legal for review.	TBD	No	No	Med	SRF/IRW MP/BOR/ Title XVI/ARPA	Tony																					
Capital/ Water	New Shop Building @OWS	New building east of existing shop. Currently under construction	\$150K	Yes	Yes	High	Budget	Tony																					
Capital/ Wastewater	Solar Drying Building	Construct a solar drying building to dry solids to reduce shipping costs. Cost benefit analysis needs to be reviewed, two proposals in hand, need to seek low interest loan to finance and/or grants. Need to look into feasibility and tour like facilities to make sure there are not any odor risks. Take to the PAC.	\$1.2-\$1.4M	Potential	No	Med	SRF	Tony																					
Capital/ Wastewater	Phase II and III Sewer Collection System Project	Design and construct phase II (and III) sewer system to serve ~3,000 customers. 334,900 feet of gravity line and 3,585 feet of force main. The District has submitted the SRF application; project listed in IUP page 77. RFQ for PDB, RFP for OR have been published and reviews complete. Next need to bring on an OR to help finalize the PDB RFP. Enviro MND adopted 2020, updating bio surveys now. SRF deemed package complete including Enviro. IUP is on SWB agenda 9/6 for approval, should know more after that. Application under review, State Water Board staff in the Dept of Finance asked for a breakdown of phase 2 and 3 costs to determine if they can give us more than the \$50M cap toward phase 2 portion. We explained the project is scalable and asked them to help prioritize our project given the fact our application was deemed complete and we are under a septic prohibition. Staff has indicated leadership is considering giving our project more than the expected cap of \$50M. Staff has monthly project meetings scheduled	\$180M	No	No	1	SRF & WIFIA	Tony/ Paul																					
Capital/ Wastewater	Phase II (and III) - Private Sewer Connection	Private sewer connection (Property Owner's Responsibility) Dependent on Phase II (and III) Design and Construction.	TBD	No	No	Low	SRF	Ron																					
Capital/ Wastewater	Phase I - Deferred mainline	Installation of sewer mainline in deferred areas for Phase 1 when feasible. Needs funding & design.	TBD	No	No	Low	SRF																						

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Compliance/ Wastewater	Phase I Connections	Connect remaining customers. As of 8/28/2023 there are 259 customers who have not connected to the sewer system and are in violation of the Regional Water Quality Control Board's septic discharge prohibition. There are about 50 properties in the process of connecting. The district is still working to encourage customers to connect and use the funding available. A second letter from HDWD was sent in February 2023 notifying those the funds are still available. CFO still exploring options on how to use remainder of the expanded Use Loan and Grant. Regional board has sent violation letters and began making phone calls.	N/A	Yes	Yes	High	Expand Use Loan	Ron																					
Other	Comp Study	Review employee compensation. Koff & Associates under contract, in progress. CVWD and Jurupa were removed from the study at the request of the HR Committee. Town of Yucca Valley was added. Board voted in July to proceed with the study as originally approved.	\$32K	N/A	Yes	High	Budget	Bonnie																					
Other	Wasterwater Property Split	Split property for potential sale or other purpose. West Coast Civil working on required documents.	\$3K	N/A	Yes	Med	N/A	Tony																					
Other	Concho Way Property Sale	District to sell surplus property no longer needed by the District. Transaction complete.	TBD	Yes	n/a	Med	N/A	Ron																					
Other	Rate Study	Complete comprehensive rate study before fiscal year 2024 when the current rate study period ends. Raftelis has sent data request, staff has sent most information. Recycled water rate will also be contemplated.	TBD	N/A	No	High	Budget	Tanya																					
Other	Lobby	Completed lobby signage vinyl lettering complete and the Ring door bell installed using velcro to be removed each night.	TBD	Yes	No	High	Budget	Tanya																					
Capital/ Energy	Solar Improvements	Install solar to offset electric costs. Options presented to Engineering Committee, AGM working on detailed cost estimates. ENGIE has presented to the Engineering Committee and Board. 8/2 Board approved no obligation notice to proceed with due diligence period.	TBD	No	No	High	BOR WEEG	Tony																					
Energy	Clean Energy Vehicles/CNG	Identify timeline for implementing vehicles into the fleet as cost benefit becomes viable.	TBD	No	No	Med	SCE AQMD	Tony																					