



DOE and SMUD Biogas Project Update

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1. Western Water Constructors

- a. A portion of the receiving station has been formed and installation of rebar is scheduled to begin today.
- b. The plan for the next couple of weeks is to start pouring some concrete including the electrical duct banks.
- c. One hundred and four submittals and re-submittals have been received to date. Ninety eight of these have been responded to and six are outstanding.
- d. Fifty seven requests for information (RFI) have been received and two are pending a response.

2. Nesting Hawks

- a. A pair of hawks continues to be spotted in the tree and SRCSD expects a nest will be built.

3. Issues

- a. Pump submittal continuous to be an issue. The Contractor wants SRCSD to pay an additional \$95,000 which represents the cost difference of the pumps they claim they used in the estimate versus what they have to obtain. The District does not believe the contractor is due any additional compensation. The submittal is still outstanding because the motors are not domestic.
- b. SS tanks -- The Contractor submitted tanks that do not meet the usable volume indicated in the spec. The submittal was rejected due to that reason.
- c. FOG Piping – The submittal was rejected because it was not organized and SRCSD could not tell which fittings were to be glass lined. In addition, layout drawings—which are part of the submittal—were not included.
- d. Grinders—SRCSD is still expecting a re-submittal by the contractor. The grinders originally submitted were one size too small and did not meet the properties in the spec.

4. Buy American Requirements

- a. There is an issue with triclover fittings exist since they are made in Mexico. The District would like to place them under the “Non-availability waiver” since no domestic product has been identified. The total cost of these fittings is about \$1,200 based on a verbal phone quote. Attached is the waver the SRCSD expects to be used for the part.
- b. The contractor has placed a few items under the De Minimis waiver category. These items have included:
 - A potable water backflow preventer
 - A box of electrical fittings

5. Next Four Week Schedule

- a. Contractor to begin installation of rebar for portion of FOG station.
- b. Concrete pour to begin 05/02/12.
- c. Excavation and installation of duct banks to continue.