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September 2, 2026

TO: Members of the Sub-Regional Operating Group Committee of the Joint Municipal Water Reclamation System

FROM: Mr. Joe Giudice, Chair, Mesa

SUBJECT: **MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

**Wednesday, September 9, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Arizona Municipal Water Users Association  
Board Room  
3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 1550  
Phoenix, Arizona 85012**

The next meeting of the Sub-Regional Operating Group Committee will be held at the above time and place. If you have any questions, please call the AMWUA office.

**AGENDA – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes of the May 13, 2026 Meeting
3. Set Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.

4. Consideration of Items for Consent

The following items listed under the consent agenda will be considered as a group and acted upon by one motion with no separate discussion of said items unless a Committee member so requests. In that event, the item(s) will be removed from the agenda for separate action.

**Arizona Municipal Water Users Association**

A. SROG Annual Year-End Flow and Loading Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that the SROG Committee accept the Year End Flow and Loading Numbers for FY 25-26 as prepared and presented by Wilson Engineers.

Please refer to Agenda Item #4A.

B. SROG Annual Calibration and Flow Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that the SROG Committee accept the SROG Annual Calibration and Flow Audit Report as fulfilling the provisions of Exhibit G of Addendum No. 4 to the JEPA for 2026.

Please refer to Agenda Item #4B.

C. SRO Condition Assessment

The SRO Condition Assessment will be presented for acceptance.

D. Revised JEPA Exhibit B

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that the SROG Committee amend Agreement Number 22699 by replacing Exhibit B with revised Exhibit B to reflect the party's revised purchase capacity with the inclusion of the capacity of UP05.

5. Meeting of the SROG Advisory Committee

Please refer to the draft minutes from the August 20, 2026 SROG Advisory Committee meeting.

6. Future Agenda Items

7. Adjournment

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## **SUB-REGIONAL OPERATING GROUP COMMITTEE**

### *MEETING MINUTES*

May 13, 2026

#### **MEMBERS**

Ron Serio, Chair, Glendale  
Craig Caggiano for Tara Ford, Tempe  
Joe Guidice, Mesa  
Nazario Prieto, Phoenix

#### **OTHERS**

Michelle Barclay, AMWUA  
Tara Gonzales, Phoenix

#### **1. Call to Order**

Mr. Serio called the meeting to order at 11:09 a.m.

#### **2. Approval of the Minutes from the February 11, 2026 Meeting**

Upon a motion by Mr. Caggiano, a second by Mr. Guidice, and unanimous approval, the SROG Committee approved the minutes of the February 11, 2026 meeting.

#### **3. Set Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2026.

#### **4. Consideration of Items for Consent**

Ms. Kelso made a motion to approve the following items for consent:

##### **A. Fire and Life Safety – request for CA&I**

Authorized the City of Phoenix to enter into an on call contract with Wilson Engineers for an amount not to exceed \$280,000 to perform Construction, Administration and Inspection services related to the 91st Avenue Fire Life and Safety project.

Mr. Hassert seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

#### **5. Meeting of the SROG Advisory Committee**

There was no discussion on this item.

**6. Future Agenda Items/Comments**

There was no discussion of this item.

**7. Adjournment**

Mr. Serio adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

September 2, 2026

TO: Members of the SROG Committee

FROM: Michelle Barclay, SROG Manager

SUBJECT: SROG ANNUAL YEAR-END FLOW AND LOADING REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

As stated in the Year-End Flow and Loading Report, the objectives of this report are to:

1. Determine the total wastewater flow and loading treated at the 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue WWTP.
2. Identify the most representative annual average daily flow (MGD) for each SROG city.
3. Identify the most representative annual average daily chemical oxygen demand and total suspended solids loadings for each SROG city.

This report is used to validate the actual flows and loadings each SROG city sends to the 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue WWTP. Throughout the fiscal year each city is billed monthly based on flows and strengths that were estimated at the beginning of the year. This report, after being reviewed and approved by each SROG city, constitutes the actual flows and strengths for the fiscal year and is used in the determination for the final charges for each city. This adjustment to actual is produced in a schedule entitled "SROG Year-End Settlement," which is created by the City of Phoenix and audited by the SROG auditors.

#### RECOMMENDATION

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that:

the SROG Committee accept the Year-End Flow and Loading Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26 as prepared and presented by Wilson Engineers.

September 2, 2026

TO: Members of the SROG Committee

FROM: Michelle Barclay, SROG Manager

SUBJECT: SROG ANNUAL CALIBRATION AND FLOW AUDIT REPORT FOR 2026

The annual calibrations were performed at the SROG metering stations by the SROG Calibration team, reviewed by Wilson Engineers, and incorporated into the SROG Annual Calibration and Flow Audit Report for 2026. The SROG Planning and Engineering Committee reviewed the report on August 13, 2026 and the SROG Advisory Committee reviewed it and accepted the report on August 20, 2026.

The Year-End Flow and Loading Report is being recommended for acceptance as fulfilling the provisions of Exhibit G of Addendum No. 4 to the JEPA for the year 2026. Exhibit G establishes minimum standards for annually calibrating the SROG metering stations.

#### RECOMMENDATION

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that:

the SROG Committee accept the Metering Station and Sampling Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26 as presented by Wilson Engineers.

September 2, 2026

TO: Members of the SROG Committee

FROM: Michelle Barclay, SROG Manager

SUBJECT: SRO CONDITION ASSESSMENT

The SRO Condition Assessment was conducted to evaluate the current structural condition and long-term reliability of the regional SRO interceptor system and its associated manholes. The study covered approximately 23 miles (122,000 feet) of large-diameter sewer pipe and 190 manholes from the Tempe Town Lake area through Sky Harbor and west to the 91st Avenue wastewater treatment plant. Using NASCO-standard inspection methods—including CCTV, specialized large-pipe inspection tools, and supplemental technologies where access was difficult—the consultant team documented defects, assessed risk based on likelihood and consequence of failure, and developed prioritized rehabilitation recommendations.

The conclusion was that the SRO interceptor is in generally good condition, especially the CIPP lined portions, but there are some defects that need to be addressed as well as some manholes that require rehabilitation. 14 pipe segments are recommended for rehab which consists primarily of point repairs. 68 manholes also require rehabilitation. The estimated total of the recommended repairs is \$17,147,00.

#### RECOMMENDATION

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that:

the SROG Committee accept the SRO Condition Assessment Report as presented by Consor and the City of Phoenix.

September 2, 2026

TO: Members of the SROG Committee

FROM: Michelle Barclay, SROG Manager

SUBJECT: AMMENDMENT OF JEPa EXHIBIT B

During discussion of the amendment of Exhibit B of Agreement No. 22699, the committee reviewed two possible procedures for updating the exhibit to reflect revised purchase capacities which include UP05: a formal addendum process through the SROG Managers (Section 9.5) and a council process requiring approval by each member city council. After confirming unanimous support the Advisory Committee approved a motion recommending that the SROG Committee amend Exhibit B using a formal addendum procedure which is recommended here.

The purpose of this decision is to update Exhibit B to reflect the parties' revised purchase capacities, including the addition of capacity at UP05, through a single, unanimous action that ensures all members are aligned on the revised capacity allocations. Once this is in place, the exhibit can be used in the development of future SROG Billing Schedules.

#### RECOMMENDATION

At their August 20 meeting, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that:

the SROG Committee amend Agreement No. 22699 by replacing Exhibit B with revised Exhibit B to reflect the party's revised purchase capacity with the inclusion of the capacity of UP05 using the formal addendum procedure set out in Agreement Number 22699 Section 9.5 as amended.



Exhibit B  
PURCHASED CAPACITY (MGD) IN 91ST AVENUE WASTEWATER  
TREATMENT PLANT AFTER UP05

| CITY       | Purchase<br>Capacity (MGD) | COD<br>(LB/Day) | TSS<br>(LB/Day) |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Glendale   | 13.2                       | 114,000         | 63,000          |
| Mesa       | 29.22                      | 168,000         | 90,000          |
| Phoenix    | 134.8                      | 708,000         | 356,000         |
| Scottsdale | 20.25                      | 123,000         | 93,000          |
| Tempe      | 32.53                      | 233,000         | 96,000          |

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**SROG ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**August 20, 2026**

**MEMBERS**

Arif Rahman, Chair, Mesa  
Stacey Kisling, Phoenix  
Jonathan Tuomey, Glendale  
Gary Tuning, Scottsdale  
Steve White for Craig Caggiano, Tempe

**OTHERS**

|                         |                              |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Simon Amavisca, Phoenix | Mark Lee, Consor             |
| Michelle Barclay, AMWUA | John Masche, Phoenix         |
| Tara Gonzales, Phoenix  | Cindy Smith, Phoenix         |
| Karla Guerra, Glendale  | Steve Todd, Wilson Engineers |
| Kyle Kraft, Phoenix     | Peter Torres, Phoenix        |

**A. Call to Order**

Mr. Rahman called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

**B. General Business – Items for Discussion and Possible Action**

1. Approval of the Minutes from the April 16, 2026 Meeting

Upon a motion by Ms. Kisling, a second by Mr. Tuning and unanimous approval, the minutes of the April 20, 2026 meeting were approved.

Mr. Rahman noted for the record that Mesa had submitted a written response to the billing schedule discussion item as requested in the April minutes.

2. The next SROG Advisory Committee meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

3. Information Items

There were no comments on the information items.

4. 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue WWTP Year End Flow and Loading Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26

Mr. Todd with Wilson Engineers presented the Annual Year-End Flow and Loading Report. This report was presented and discussed at the SPEC Committee meeting on August 13.

The audited flow at 91st Avenue for FY 2025-26 was 142 mgd, which was down slightly from previous years. The report included distribution of flows among the SROG cities, with Phoenix showing the most significant variation from projected values. This was primarily attributed to their increased utilization of the 23rd Avenue treatment plant. The analysis also covered Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS) loadings. Overall, both flows and loadings at 91st Avenue showed decreases compared to the prior fiscal year. A detailed presentation was provided showing year-over-year comparisons, projected versus audited values for each city, and the distribution of treatment loads.

Upon a motion by Ms. Kisling, a second by Mr. Tuomey and unanimous approval the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that the SROG committee accept the Year-End Flow and Loading Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26 as prepared and presented by Wilson Engineers.

5. Calibration Report Fiscal Year 2025-26

Mr. Todd with Wilson Engineers presented the Annual Calibration Audit Report for the SROG metering system. The report documented the calibration activities conducted at the various metering stations throughout the SROG system. The metering system includes stations with laser meters, flumes with level sensors, and other types of measurement equipment. Field observations from calibration events were presented for each metering station by city, including observations regarding equipment condition and data integrity. The committee was informed that the system has been improving in data integrity year over year, with decreasing communication and operational issues. The presentation included recommendations to continue considering replacement of ADFM meters as they are discontinued and becoming obsolete, to continue upgrades to communications systems at metering stations, and for discussion regarding potential incorporation of inline meters into the annual calibration audit process.

Ms. Kisling moved that the SROG Advisory Committee recommend to the SROG Committee that the metering station calibration audit process for fiscal year 2025-26 be accepted as prepared and presented by Wilson Engineers. The motion was seconded. All members voted in favor and the motion passed.

Upon a motion by Ms. Kisling, a second by Mr. Tuning and unanimous approval the SROG Advisory Committee recommended that the SROG committee accept the metering station

calibration audit process for fiscal year 2025-26 as prepared and presented by Wilson Engineers.

## 6. SRO Condition Assessment

Ms. Smith introduced Mr. Lee with Consor North America, who presented the results of the comprehensive SRO assessment that had been completed on all 23 miles of the SROG interceptor. The assessment was conducted using both traditional CCTV inspection methods as well as the Sewer Scout and sonar. The evaluation assessed 122,000 feet of pipe and 190 manholes and structures.

Regarding the manholes, the assessment is that the overall structural condition is good, with approximately 122 manholes rated as Grade 1 or 2 (in good condition). However, 68 manholes were identified as requiring rehabilitation. Of these, 48 are prioritized as Grade 3, 4, or 5, based on the NASCO standard scoring system where 5 is the most critical. The committee recommended addressing Grade 3 as well as Grade 4 and 5 due to the significance of the interceptor and the corrosive H<sub>2</sub>S environment. The estimated cost for the 68 manholes requiring rehabilitation is approximately \$2.3 million.

For the pipe assessment, approximately 75% of the system consists of CIPP-lined reinforced concrete pipe that has already been rehabbed. An additional 20% consists of PVC-lined pipe, primarily in the Sky Harbor Airport area, and the remainder consists of smaller percentages of fiberglass-reinforced pipe. The assessment identified 14 pipe segments requiring rehabilitation. The majority of the system is in good condition. The defects found are primarily at transitions between pipe types, particularly where CIPP lining meets T-lock pipe and the joint is deteriorating. The assessment utilized NASCO standards for rating and included a risk analysis based on likelihood of failure and consequence of failure, considering factors such as location, pipe size, and criticality of the interceptor. Based on this comprehensive analysis, three priority projects were identified with recommended rehabilitation costs totaling approximately \$17 million. The cost allocation to member cities is based on the location of defects and range from approximately \$1.2 million (Tempe) to \$11.4 million (Phoenix), with approximately \$1 million to Mesa, \$1.23 million to Tempe with Glendale \$0.

Mr. Rahman asked whether Grade 3 defects need immediate attention. Mr. Lee explained that manholes deteriorate faster than pipe and recommended addressing Grade 3 defects given the corrosive environment.

Upon a motion by Ms. Kisling, a second by Mr. White and unanimous approval, the SROG Advisory Committee recommend to the SROG Committee that the SRO Condition Assessment Report be accepted as presented by Consor North America and the City of Phoenix.

## 7. Proposed Billing Schedule

Ms. Gonzales presented discussion on the proposed amendment to Exhibit B of the JEPA also known as Agreement Number 22699, and its role in defining plant capacity and billing schedules. This item had been previously discussed at SPEC meetings and was being brought to the Advisory Committee for consideration. The background for this discussion involved clarification of the 91st Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant capacity following the completion of the UP05 upgrade project.

In order to create a SROG Billing Schedule based on 230mgd, Exhibit B of the JEPA must first be amended to reflect that capacity and associated ownership. The committee discussed two procedural approaches to accomplish the amendment of Exhibit B: the formal addendum procedure and the council procedure. The formal addendum procedure would proceed through the SROG Committee to approve the amendment of Exhibit B. The council procedure would require individual city council approval from each member city.

Following discussion, the committee determined that the formal addendum procedure would be the preferred method. Ms. Gonzales stated that that this procedural choice required unanimous approval due to the language in the JEPA.

Upon a motion by Ms. Kisling, a second by Mr. Tuning and unanimous approval, the SROG Advisory Committee recommended to the SROG Committee to amend Agreement Number 22699 by replacing "Exhibit B" with a revised "Exhibit B" to reflect the party's revised purchase capacity with the inclusion of the capacity of UP05 using the formal addendum procedure set out in Agreement Number 22699 Section 9.5 as amended.

Ms. Kisling then made a motion to recommend approval of new Billing Schedule 69 based on the revised Exhibit B.

Ms. Kisling moved that the SROG Advisory Committee recommend that the SROG Committee adopt a new Billing Schedule, to be called "Schedule 69," based on Exhibit B, as amended on September 9, 2026, for all new projects with plant-wide application approved after that date, with all projects with plant-wide application approved prior to that date continuing to be billed in accordance with Billing Schedule 56 until full payment for those projects has been completed. In accordance with amended Exhibit B, Billing Schedule 69 shall allocate costs according to the following percentages: 5.74% to Glendale, 12.70% to Mesa, 58.61% to Phoenix, 8.80% to Scottsdale, and 14.14% to Tempe.

Mr. Rahman expressed his concern that from Mesa's perspective, there is not a consensus regarding how ongoing projects and projects occurring before September 9, 2026, would be handled. He stated that Mesa is not ready to vote on the motion without further discussion regarding the applicability to ongoing projects and projects occurring prior to

the adoption of this new Billing Schedule. Ms. Kisling stated that from Phoenix's perspective, before supporting an amended motion, legal evaluation would be needed to ensure the motion meets required legal and procedural standards.

Ms. Gonzales stated that if there is a request to amend this motion, Phoenix asks that the city that is requesting to amend the motion write the motion, have their legal team review it, then submit it to all of the other parties so that they also have the ability to take it to their legal team for review. She explained that the motion made today by Ms. Kisling has already been through Phoenix's legal team and this motion is what Phoenix's legal team has provided.

The motion on the new billing schedule was not approved.

#### **C. Future Agenda Items**

There was no discussion of this item.

#### **D. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.