
Minutes

Long-Range Planning Committee
Central Iowa Water Works
April 8, 2026
Des Moines Water Works Board Room
2201 George Flagg Parkway
Des Moines, Iowa
Immediately following the Technical Committee

ITEM 1. Call to Order

Chair Lyle Hammes called the meeting to order at 2:47p

ITEM 2. Introductions

Shawn Buckner (Ankeny), Jeff May (Clive), Lindsey Wanderscheid (DMWW), Matt Greiner (Johnston), Matt Ahrens (Grimes), Wayne Schwartz (Norwalk), Randy Franzen (Polk City)*, Neill Weiss (UWU), Andy Fish (WWD), Rudy Koester (Waukee), Lyle Hammes (WDMWW), Dan Lovett (Xenia) (entered at 3:01p), Joe Ballard (Norwalk), Matthew Jacob (UWU), Matt Van Wyk (WWD)*, Tami Madsen (CIWW), Dustin Delvaux (CIWW), Amy Kahler (DMWW), Daria Dilparic (WDMWW), Matt Stoffel (PFM)*, Dustin Schultz (AE2S)*, Shawn Gaddie (AE2S)*, Kyle Danley (DMWW), Christina Murphy (WDMWW), Royce Hammitt (Xenia)

ITEM 3. Approve Minutes for November 11, 2025 – Approval*

This item was missing from the packet and will be added to the next Long-Range Planning Committee meeting.

ITEM 4. CIWW Update

Tami Madsen provided an update on the board workshop. Discussions included water allocations, the extended timelines associated with constructing water treatment plants, the Board's continued focus on conservation efforts, and the initiation of preliminary processes for the Saylorville II Water Treatment Plant.

ITEM 5. CIP Presentations

Tami Madsen informed the committee that a small group consisting of both Water

Producing Member Agencies and Non-Water Producing Member Agency representatives had been convened to discuss the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Key discussion topics included exploring the Chain of Lakes concept to expand source water availability, advancing early-phase activities for the Saylorville II expansion, refining the scope, cost, and schedule for the Saylorville II project, and coordinating transmission main timing with treatment plant projects.

Tami Madsen also shared that the CIP structure is expected to change with the addition of a CIWW Joint Capital category for projects involving State Revolving Fund (SRF) financing that will require CIWW Board allocation and oversight. In addition, project summaries will be developed for major projects to provide clear and consistent updates to member agencies. AE2S is also developing an estimate classification system to communicate the anticipated level of accuracy associated with project estimates. Coordination efforts are also underway related to long-term Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) permitting between member agencies and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

Tami Madsen concluded with a brief overview of the CIWW Expansion and CIWW Joint Capital items included in the CIP spreadsheet.

Polk City CIP

Randy Franzen reported that two projects are planned for 2026, including the Wells 4 and 5 generator installation project and fiber connection improvements. He also noted that three additional projects are currently scheduled for 2027.

Grimes CIP

Dustin Schultz reported that he is working with Nick from US Water to identify potential short-term and long-term items that may need to be incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Efforts are also underway to develop cost estimates for those potential projects.

West Des Moines Water Works CIP

Lyle Hammes advised the committee that the 2026 project scopes and cost estimates are expected to remain generally consistent with those presented in the previous year's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). He noted that the 2027 SCU Painting project costs have been distributed between 2027 and 2028, while the overall project scope remains unchanged. Other 2027 projects also remain generally consistent in both scope and estimated cost from the prior CIP.

Lyle Hammes further reported that West Des Moines Water Works (WDMWW) will accelerate the timeline for the High Service Pump (HSP) 5 replacement as approved by the Technical Committee in 2025. In addition, a few new projects have been added to both the five-year and ten-year CIP planning horizons.

Des Moines Water Works CIP

Lindsey Wanderscheid presented the Des Moines Water Works (DMWW) Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) update.

For the Fleur Water Treatment Plant, Lindsey Wanderscheid reported that there were few changes from the previous year's CIP. An updated cost estimate was provided for the Fluoride Room Improvements project, and the Gallery Inspections and Enhancements project was moved forward from a two-year timeline to a one-year timeline. A new PFAS Mitigation project was also added for 2027. Across both the five-year and ten-year CIP outlooks, several projects were advanced by approximately one to three years, while a few projects were deferred to later years.

For the McMullen Water Treatment Plant, two new projects were added to the CIP: a Flood Study and an Increase Capacity to Filter Plant project. Lindsey Wanderscheid also noted that the Crystal Lake Pump Station project has been moved forward because the currently installed pump station was intended to be temporary and now requires replacement. The project has also been designated as a State Revolving Fund (SRF) project.

For the Saylorville Water Treatment Plant, Lindsey Wanderscheid stated that the estimated cost for the UF Membrane Replacement project has decreased, with no other significant changes reported.

Within the Core Network category, a new project titled Air Release Valve Replacements was added beginning in 2027.

Under Facility Management, several new projects were added for the 2029 through 2031 planning period.

For Remote Facilities, Lindsey Wanderscheid reported that no major changes were made between the 2026 CIP and the 2027 CIP.

Tami Madsen advised the committee that additional information and explanations regarding major projects, similar to the prior year's presentation, will be provided at the next Long-Range Planning Committee meeting.

ITEM 6. Adjourn

Jeff May moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Matt Greiner. Chair Hammes adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.