

Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy
Board Packet Information
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Objective: Receive authorization from the Board for the procurement of a Telecommunications Wireless Local Area Network (LAN) Controller for the LCWTP.

Background: The District has benefited significantly from the existing wireless telecommunications system at the LCWTP site. The existing wireless system has reached its effective end of life. The system has become less reliable, with the frequency of failures having increased by about five times. Increased maintenance costs (parts and labor), a lack of vendor support, difficulty locating replacement parts, and diminished reliability are the primary reasons for the desire to replace this equipment. The proposed Telecommunications Wireless Controller would replace the existing LCWTP wireless telecommunications system.

Section 3-447 of the District's Policies and Procedures states, in part, the following:

3-447 APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS AND EXPENDITURES

Except as otherwise instructed by the Board, the GM may approve contracts and expenditures for other capital items which have been properly appropriated, not exceeding \$25,000.

The District has processed a Request for Quotes (RFQ) for a Telecommunications Wireless LAN Controller. RFQs were sent to three different state contract vendors. All three vendors provided price quotations. The lowest quote was \$46,284.44, provided by Mountain States Networking. This is within the approved budget amount of \$47,000.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the Telecommunications Wireless LAN Controller purchase from Mountain States Networking in the amount of \$46,284.44.