Helix Water District Operations Center Electrification Project



Agenda

- Background
- Operational Analysis
- Project Overview
- Project Cost/Funding
- Schedule
- Questions







HWD: Electrification in Action

Over the past 7 years Helix has:

- Installed 10 chargers at the administration office
- Installed 11 chargers at the operations yard

Helix fleet includes:

- 6 PHEV Prius
- 2 PHEV Ford Escape
- 10 F-150 Lightnings



Operational Analysis - Electric Vehicles and Charging



Charging infrastructure analysis parameters:

- Helix will meet all state regulations
- No change to work schedule
- No increase in vehicles
- No increase in staff
- Maintain fleet readiness

Analysis result:

70+ chargers needed



OC Electrification Analysis

- Analysis resulted in numerous questions
 - Utility Power supply
 - Charging choices
 - Space constraints
 - Redundancy/Emergency backup
 - Operational readiness
 - Charging management/software





Project Team – so far...

- Helix Staff
 - Operations
 - Engineering
 - Electricians
 - Finance
 - Public Relations
 - Contracting
 - Legal

• External

- SDGE
- APCD
- Design Support CBSI
- Design Black and Veatch
- Tax Advisors
- Product Manufacturers (chargers/cable reels)
- Software Management TBD



ENGINEERING/DESIGN CHALLENGES/OPPORTUNITIES BLACK & VEATCH

Design Development

- Invest sufficient effort to understand and confirm client priorities and objectives
 - Cost
 - Schedule
 - Operational Efficiencies

Program Timeline

- Adequate time for design reviews, approvals and revisions
- Design iterations

Collaborative work relationships are essential to project success. Ensure alignment and good communication between engineer and facilities management

Equipment Ecosystem

- EPRI Approved Product List can be dynamic
- New equipment / equipment versioning
- Validate selection list is current

Municipal vs. Commercial

- Fleet owner vs. hosted site
- Scope demarcation between Engineering & Construction
- Municipal processes



OC Electrification Plan

31 Charging Ports 20/40 kW

48 Charging Ports 180 kW

4 Charging Ports 350 kW

Total Charging Power 5.7 MW



Site Plan



Estimated Project Cost - <u>\$10M+</u>

- Design
- Construction
- Special Inspection
- Software Management
- Contingency

\$0.8 million (10% of Construction)
\$8.0 million
\$0.4 million
\$0.3 million
\$0.8 million (10% of Construction)

Does not include cost of backup generator.



Funding Opportunities

- SDGE Power Your Fleet
- SDGE Charger Rebate
- CARB/APCD Grants
- Inflation Reduction Act Tax Credit
- California Energy Commission Grants





Project Schedule

<u>2024</u>

<u>2025</u>

<u>2026</u>

• Q2 2024	Finish Design
• Q3 2024	Bid Project
• Q3 2024	Purchase Switchgear
• Q4 2024	Award Construction Contract/Mobilize
• Q1 2025	Construction begins
• Q1 2026	Construction complete
• Q2 2026	Charging system operational
• Q3 2026	Grant funding reimbursed



Transitioning to EV's



- Range Anxiety is REAL
- Charge Times can be SLOW
- Existing Infrastructure is NOT GOOD
 - Filling up becomes an EVENT not an Errand
- Build for the Future
- This is just the Beginning







Questions?

