



Wastewater
Treatment



TRANSFORMING
WASTEWATER
TO RESOURCES



Recycled
Water



Energy
Production



Biosolids
Reuse



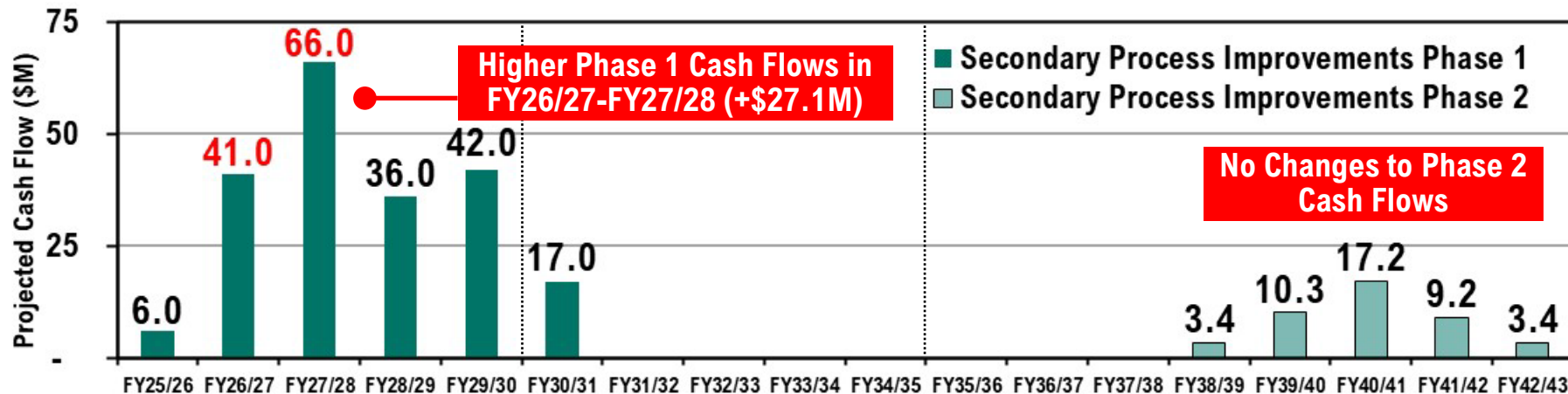
Federal Securities Laws and Disclosure Requirements

Special Integrated Financing Corporation Meeting
July 23, 2026

Secondary Process Improvements Phase 1 Debt Financing Considerations

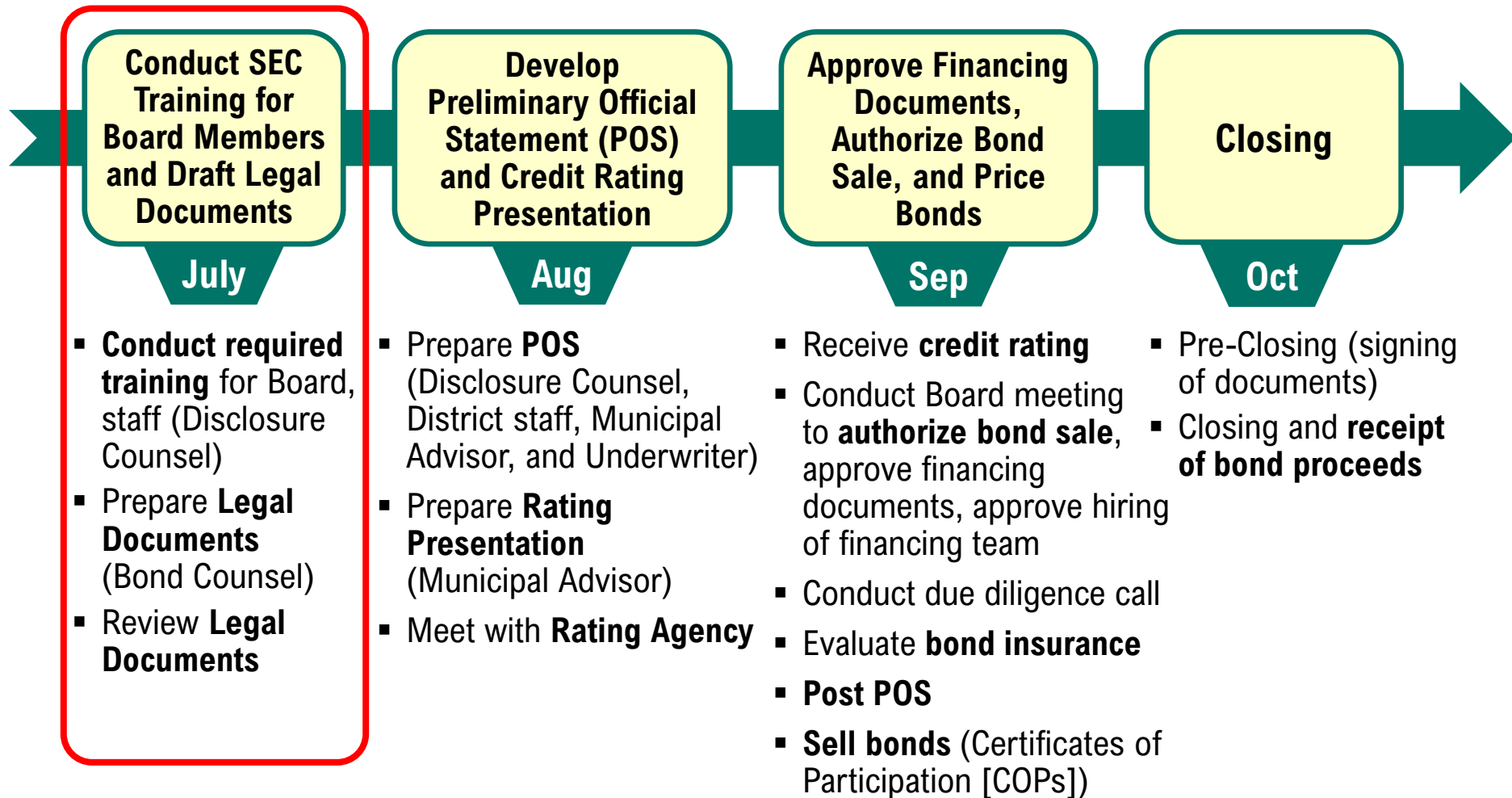


- Current project **cost estimate** = **\$210M**
- Addresses **aging infrastructure**, meets nutrient removal **regulatory mandate**, and expands **treatment capacity**
- Annual Sewer Service Charge (SSC) increases of +8.5% through FY29/30 should provide sufficient revenue
 - District's financial plan assumes **\$82M** in debt funding
- **Construction bids** are expected in **August 2026**



Financing Process

Bond Financing Key Milestones



Training Overview – Federal Securities Laws and Disclosure Requirements



- Presenter: **Vanessa Legbandt**, Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth LLP—**District's Bond and Disclosure Counsel**
- **Agenda**
 - Federal Securities Acts
 - Disclosure Drivers and Materiality Standard
 - Applicability of Disclosure Requirements
 - Key Document – Official Statement
 - Disclosure Principles
 - Disclosure Process
 - Recent SEC Actions

Federal Securities Acts

- Securities Act of 1933
- Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- Both Acts contain anti-fraud provisions that apply to municipal securities
- Rule 10b-5: “It shall be unlawful for any person in connection with the purchase or sale of any security...
 - To employ any device, scheme or artifice to defraud,
 - To make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading...”



Disclosure Drivers and Materiality Standard



- Delta Diablo issues securities in public capital markets
- Investors in municipal securities have rights under federal securities laws
- **All “material” information must be disclosed**

Materiality Standard

- “[w]hether or not there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable investor or prospective investor would consider the information important in deciding whether or not to invest.”
- Materiality is determined in context of all the facts and circumstances, but usually in hindsight
- Guidance comes primarily from court decisions and SEC enforcement cases

Applicability of Disclosure Requirements



- New Offerings
- Ongoing Continuing Disclosure
 - Annual Report under Rule 15c2-12 (Audited Financial Statements and Specified Financial and Operating Data)
 - Rule 15c2-12 Material Event Notices
- Any other circumstance where an Issuer is “speaking to the market”
 - Speeches and presentations by senior staff and elected officials
 - Social Media
 - Website
 - Investor Communications

Key Document Official Statement



- Official Statement is offering document to investors (equivalent to a prospectus)
- Must contain all material information for particular bond sale
- Underwriters, municipal advisors, and lawyers help develop **Official Statement**
 - Delta Diablo is **ultimately responsible for content** and owns document

Disclosure Principles

- Provide main points, but do not overwhelm readers with detail
- Highlight important developments “up front”
- Determine appropriate level of importance for any particular event or budgetary item
- Assimilate key factors into final product through ongoing, iterative process

Revenue Bonds

- Description of enterprise
- Description of CIP
- Historical and projected revenues, expenses and debt service coverage
- Significant sources of revenues
- Rate covenant, additional bonds test
- Regulatory issues (existing, proposed)
- Information on debt (types, amounts)
- Risks
- Litigation

Disclosure Process



- Disclosure Counsel: Produces draft Preliminary Official Statement (“POS”)
 - Seek input from key District team members, who are required to fully disclose accurate, relevant information
- Delta Diablo Staff: Reviews draft POS
- Delta Diablo Board of Directors: Review and approval—is there anything staff may not be fully aware of? Is content accurate, consistent with public communications?
 - Important to maintain **attorney-client privilege** for sensitive issues
 - Political sensitivity and confidentiality considerations are not exceptions to disclosure

Recent SEC Actions Increasingly Aggressive Approach



- SEC has an **Active Whistleblower Program**
- SEC inquiries are **time consuming** and **expensive**
- SEC Settlement Conditions (examples)
 - Require issuer to implement new procedures and oversight
 - Impose fines on issuer and individual issuer officials
 - Rating downgrades, reduced market access, and/or increased borrowing costs
- SEC brings actions even when there was no default, no rating downgrade, or any evident market impact or harm to investors

Bond Financing Team



- District Municipal Advisor
 - Urban Futures, Inc. (Wing-See Fox)
- Bond and Disclosure Counsel
 - Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth LLP (Vanessa S. Legbandt, Esq.)
- Bond Underwriter
 - Ramirez & Co., Inc. (Eric McKean)

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