

Company Line

Helm Change at Basin Water

Basin Water Inc., a water treatment company based in Rancho Cucamonga, California, recently announced the appointment of Michael M. Stark as Chief Executive Officer. He replaced Peter L. Jensen, who resigned as CEO and chairman of the board.

Stark had been the president and chief operating officer of the company since 2006. Prior to joining Basin Water, he was president and CEO of Veolia Water North America, a water services company that was once part of USFilter.

Jensen had been CEO since he founded Basin Water in 1999. He will remain on the company's board of directors but planned to join Empire Water Corporation, which was recently created to acquire and develop water resources in Southern California.

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CH2M Hill Gets New Mexico Diversion Project

In March, CH2M Hill was selected to design and build the Buckman Direct Diversion Project (BDD), a \$181 million water treatment project that will divert water from the Rio Grande River and deliver it to residents and businesses in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Santa Fe County.

The city and county currently depend on groundwater wells and reservoirs on the Santa Fe River. The BDD project will add about 8,730 acre-feet of surface water per year and allow Santa Fe and Santa Fe County to reduce their reliance on groundwater resources. The BDD will divert water from the Rio Grande, pipe it underground to a water treatment plant near the Municipal Recreational Complex, then treat and deliver the water to customers in the city and county.

The company will design and build a raw water intake on the Rio Grande River;

two high head booster pump stations; a 15 million-gallon-per-day membrane, ozone, and granular activated carbon treatment plant; and two treated water pump stations. It will also lay approximately 13 miles of 30-inch raw water pipeline and 14 miles of 16- to 30-inch treated water pipeline. Construction is expected to being this year and be completed in January 2011.

In other company news, CH2M Hill announced the promotion of Martin Nicholson to Regional Manager of the firm's nine-state Southwestern U.S. Region. Based in Redding, California, Nicholson has been with the company nearly 30 years.

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