



Notice of Public Hearing for Clifton Water District

Date: November 12, 2026

Time: 5:00pm

Location: Clifton Water District Office

Address: 510 34 Road
Clifton, CO 81520

Topic: Clifton Water District WTP Controls, Electrical, and Pumping Improvements Project

Meeting information and agenda materials will be posted on the Clifton Water District website at <https://www.cliftonwaterdistrict.org/board-meetings>.

A public hearing will be conducted for the purpose of informing citizens and soliciting public input, written or oral, regarding the Clifton Water District (CWD) Project Needs Assessment (PNA) for the Charles A. Strain Water Treatment Plant Controls, Electrical, and Pumping Improvements Project. The PNA is a report describing the proposed project, including project need, alternatives evaluated, selected alternative, project costs, and anticipated environmental impacts. The PNA is being submitted to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) in support of an application for Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRf) financing.

The proposed project is intended to address aging infrastructure, operational inefficiencies, and limited system control at the Clifton Water District water treatment plant. Existing pumping, electrical, and control equipment is approaching or has exceeded its useful life, resulting in increased maintenance demands and reduced operational flexibility. In addition, the existing effluent pump configuration limits firm pumping capacity to approximately 10 million gallons per day (MGD), below the treatment plant's design capacity of 12 MGD.

Several alternatives were evaluated to address these deficiencies. The preferred alternative includes replacement and reconfiguration of the effluent pump station, installation of new pumps, upgrades to electrical systems, implementation of centralized programmable logic controller (PLC) and supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems, and related improvements to enhance reliability, operational efficiency, and system control. The selected alternative is anticipated to restore firm pumping capacity to 12 MGD and improve operational resilience and strengthen cybersecurity through modernization of the plant control systems.

During earlier design phases, the total project cost was estimated to be approximately \$14.5 million and is currently estimated at approximately \$17-\$18.5 million. Funding is anticipated to be provided through a combination of DWRf financing and other District funding sources. Clifton Water District maintains a user charge system based on metered water use with tiered rate structures to support operations, maintenance, debt service, and capital improvements. Rates are periodically evaluated and adjusted to meet operational and long-term infrastructure funding needs. Additional information regarding project financing and any potential rate impacts will be presented during the public hearing.

Construction activities are anticipated to occur within the existing water treatment plant site. Environmental impacts are expected to be limited because work will occur within an existing developed facility. Potential environmental reviews and permits may include floodplain/floodway development approvals, construction-related stormwater controls, and cultural resource review requirements.

Copies of the PNA will be available for public review prior to the hearing at the following location:
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