

WATER SUPPLY REVIEW – CUSTOMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COUNCIL INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Provide sustainable water quality & environmental infrastructure

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: N/A

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

In August 2014, the City Council authorized a contract with CH2M to review options for improving the quality of the city's drinking water and to conduct an outreach program to obtain community input on the issues and potential solutions. The City Council and Beacon Hill Water and Sewer District (BHWSD) commissioners appointed a Customer Advisory Committee (CAC) to review the options and provide recommendations.

The CAC has completed their work and issued a recommendation that the City and BHWSD develop a new water source on the Cowlitz River utilizing Ranney collector wells. CH2M will present the CAC's recommendation and discuss the implementation process for developing the CAC recommended water source. Additionally, City staff will present information regarding potential treatment upgrades at the Mint Farm Regional Water Treatment Plant to improve water quality during the implementation period for developing a new source.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Discussion