



**AGENDA
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Item 5.A**

**Post Point Wastewater Treatment
Plant Biosolids Facility
Replacement Update**

DATE SUBMITTED:	February 14, 2019	MEETING DATE:	February 27, 2019
TO: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS		FROM: Justin Clary, General Manager	
GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL			
ATTACHED DOCUMENTS		1. Materials will be provided during the meeting	
TYPE OF ACTION REQUESTED	RESOLUTION <input type="checkbox"/>	FORMAL ACTION/ MOTION <input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATIONAL /OTHER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

BACKGROUND / EXPLANATION OF IMPACT

The City of Bellingham owns and operates the Post Point Wastewater Treatment Plant, which receives and treats all of the District’s sewage through an interlocal agreement between the City of Bellingham and the District. The solids handling process equipment (incinerator) at the facility has reached the end of its useful life and needs to be replaced. Based on the City’s policy for climate action and community feedback on various options, a digestion process with energy recovery has been identified as the preferred solution. The City’s project team has developed and evaluated the cost of construction and implementation of a new solids handling process. City staff will provide the District with a presentation on the status, and current timelines and estimated costs for design and construction of the new solids handling facility.

FISCAL IMPACT

No impacts will be incurred in the 2019 Budget. Based upon the current cost allocation in the City-District interlocal agreement, the District’s share of the cost of the new solids handling facility will be approximately \$9.4 million due in 2023 (4.8% of the total \$196 million project).

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

No action recommended at this time.

PROPOSED MOTION

None.