



Agenda Date: 1/12/2022

Agenda Placement: 7H

Napa Sanitation District Board Agenda Letter

TO: Honorable Board of Directors

FROM: Timothy Healy - General Manager
NS-Technical Services/Engineer

REPORT BY: Andrew Damron, Technical Services Director - 707-258-6000

SUBJECT: Authorize Travel to Minneapolis for the North American Society for Trenchless Technology Conference

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize out-of-state travel to Minneapolis for Technical Services Director/District Engineer Andrew Damron and Associate Engineer Karl Ono for the purpose of attending the North American Society For Trenchless Technology (NASTT) Annual No-Dig Conference from April 10-14, 2022.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Annual NASTT No-Dig Conference will be held in Minneapolis from April 10-14, 2022. This conference specializes in trenchless technologies such as pipe bursting and cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining. The conference includes over 120 technical paper presentations and exhibiting companies available to answer questions and demonstrate cutting edge technology for our industry.

NapaSan staff continues to plan, design, and implement collection system rehabilitation projects using trenchless technologies. This conference provides an excellent opportunity to meet with experts, review new construction techniques, hear technical presentations about successful projects, and to learn why some projects were not successful.

At this conference in Minneapolis, staff will be presenting two papers on recently completed NapaSan projects (the 66-trunk CIPP rehabilitation; and the 2021 collection system rehabilitation project that used pipe bursting to rehabilitate asbestos cement pipe). NapaSan staff members who are scheduled to attend this conference have received scholarships that cover the cost of the conference registration and lodging.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Travel is included in the FY 21/22 Budget. NASTT awarded scholarships to NapaSan staff that cover the conference registration and lodging.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Attendance at the conference will increase knowledge of technologies and techniques available to NapaSan, as well as provide information on current trends in the industry. Key NapaSan personnel charged with implementing collection system rehabilitation projects will gain valuable knowledge of construction techniques and products to implement necessary projects efficiently.
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	None.
Consequences if not approved:	Staff will rely on existing knowledge or seek other sources for important information related to upcoming projects.
Additional Information:	None.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

None.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

None.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

Napa Sanitation District: Approve

Reviewed By: Timothy Healy