

USG Water Solutions (Perry, Georgia), a water utility services provider specializing in storage tanks, plant rehabilitation, metering, and distribution systems, has been named the 2025 Preferred Provider of the Year by the **California Rural Water Association** (Sacramento). The honor acknowledges the utility's outstanding contributions to California's rural water and wastewater systems.

Polk Regional Water Cooperative (PRWC; Bartow, Florida) has broken ground on its Southeast Water Production Facility in Lake Wales, Florida, which is the first reverse-osmosis water treatment facility in central Florida. The facility will use brackish water from the Lower Floridan Aquifer to produce up to 47.3 million L/d (12.5 million gal/d) of high-quality drinking water for distribution to 10 PRWC member utilities.



Darren Conner



Dave Maxwell



Dave Mahoney

Dewberry (Fairfax, Virginia), a privately held professional services firm, has announced executive leadership changes across the enterprise. **Darren Conner** has been named Chief Operating Officer. **Dave Maxwell** has been named president of Dewberry Engineers Inc., where he will oversee operations and growth for more than 10 operating units across 60 offices. **Dave Mahoney** has been named president of Dewberry's program delivery practice,



Phil Thiel

where he will oversee the firm's program delivery functions and associated risk management teams. **Phil Thiel** has been named president of Dewberry's consulting division, which supports the firm's federal clients and contracts.

The **City of Cottage Grove, Oregon**, has selected **Carollo Engineers** (Walnut Creek, California) to develop a comprehensive Storm Drainage System Master Plan that will guide the city's infrastructure planning and stormwater management strategy over the next 20 years after the city surpassed the 10,000-resident threshold, triggering new MS4 regulatory requirements.

The **San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's** Treasure Island Water Resource Recovery Facility, currently under construction, has earned the prestigious Envision Platinum Award by the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (Washington D.C.), which recognizes projects that demonstrate exceptional environmental, social, and economic benefits.

Water Utility Climate Alliance (Las Vegas), a coalition of 12 of the nation's leading water providers, awarded USD \$75,000 in funding to **Brown and Caldwell** (Walnut Creek, California) for its Climate Resilient Engineering Design Guidance for the Water Sector project, which will provide utilities with practical design guidance on how to build more climate-resilient water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure. Brown and Caldwell also

provided an additional in-kind contribution of USD \$244,000 to support the project. The final report is expected to be published for the water sector in early 2026.

Oldcastle Infrastructure (Atlanta), an infrastructure products and services company in North America, has entered a commercial agreement with **VODA.ai** (Boston), a company that uses artificial intelligence (AI) technology to identify failure points in underground clean water systems. The partnership adds AI technology for the data analysis and predictive reporting of water system failures to Oldcastle Infrastructure's CivilSense™ asset management solution.

Chart Industries Inc. (Ball Ground, Georgia) and **Flowserve Corp.** (Irving, Texas) announced that they have entered into a definitive agreement to combine in an all-stock merger of equals. The combined company is expected to have an enterprise value of approximately USD

\$19 billion based on the exchange ratio and the closing share prices for Chart and Flowserve as of June 3.

120Water (Zionsville, Indiana), a water quality and compliance technology company, has named **Casey Myers** as Chief Executive Officer. Myers has more than 20 years of operator experience across several industries.

Seq Corp. (Seattle), a provider of analytics, artificial intelligence, and enterprise monitoring for industrial companies, has appointed **Ray Scheppach** to the executive leadership team as Chief Financial Officer. Scheppach has more than 25 years of financial leadership experience.

Osmonix Inc. (Lancaster, Pennsylvania), a manufacturer of water processing, membrane technologies, and specialty chemicals, has announced the opening of its next new regional office, **Osmonix S.A. de C.V.**, headquartered in Mexico.

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