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Seal Rock Water District

General Manager's Report: Board Meeting February 16, 2023

This report is an executive summary provided with this Board agenda to Commissioners with recommended actions if any. Detailed information, staff reports, and supporting materials are provided within the full agenda packet.

PHASE-IV BEAVER CREEK SOURCE WATER PROJECT:

Jacobs engineers continue tracking final punch-list items necessary to certify substantial completion. Some remaining punch-list items were completed by the contractor in late January to include the replacement of the housing on the damaged generator at the water treatment facility. Preliminary Certification for Substantial Completion has been signed by the engineer and the district and presented to the contractor on January 18, 2023. As of the date of this letter, the engineer has not received a response back from the contractor. On the week of January 30th crews from Preston Caterpillar began the work to replace the housing on the generator damaged by the contractor during installation over a year ago.



Damaged Generator Housing:



Newly Installed Generator Housing:

Drinking Water Source Protection Fund Letter of Interest:

Funding is made available under the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act section 1452(k) via Local Assistance Set-Aside from the Oregon Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Program. The Set-Aside provides grant and loan funding for eligible source water protection project activities.

Source water is the water from the rivers, streams, lakes, springs, and underground sources that drinking water systems use to supply communities with safe drinking water. Drinking water source protection involves taking positive steps to manage potential sources of contamination and prevent pollutants from entering, reaching, or contaminating sources of public drinking water.

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is requesting Letters of Interest (LOI) from drinking water systems for Drinking Water Source Protection projects for potential funding. Drinking water systems that submit an LOI meeting the project eligibility guidelines may be offered financial assistance to implement various drinking water source protection projects or activities.

The letter of interest will request in the range of \$35,000-\$40,000 in grant support (no match required) to develop a Drinking Water Protection Plan (DWPP) for the District. A DWPP is a plan developed to protect the District's current drinking water sources. The DWPP identifies and assesses risks in the source water areas, describes strategies to address those risks and provides an implementation plan to carry out drinking water protection activities. The DWPP also includes a contingency plan describing actions the District would take in the event that a current water source becomes unavailable.

Other notable activities for the month include:

- Attended meetings with engineers, contractors, and USDA to discuss substantial completion and schedule for work on the Beaver Creek Source Water Project.
- o Attended Mid Coast Water Conservation Consortium Meeting.
- o Met with property owners in the district to discuss water quality.
- o Attended OWRD Place-Based Planning Quarterly Meeting.
- Met with GSI Water Solutions to review several scopes of service for stream flow monitoring and consultant service for the MC-WPP.
- District staff has been preparing information for the 2023 2024 budget to include potential water rate adjustments.
- Attended SDAO Annual Conference.
- o Provided updates to the Water Supply Management and Conservation Working Group in Newport.