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# **Seal Rock Water District**

General Manager's Report: Board Meeting July 8, 2021

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:

District staff and engineer along with funding partners from USDA-RD meet bi-weekly with R&G Excavating to discuss project schedule and status. Construction at the WTP site includes continued work on the backwash basin and membrane building. Several concrete pours on the backwash basin and membrane building were completed in June. Concrete masonry subcontractor has completed block wall construction of the membrane building and will be staging to begin construction of the electrical control building at the Beaver Creek intake site.

# **Raw Water Intake Structure:**

Cement pad for the pump station building has been completed. Final site grading and reseeding has been completed in preparation for the subcontractor to begin the block wall construction. Erosion control BMPs continue in place and have been reestablished as some wet weather continues.



Beaver Creek Intake Pump Station Building and CMU Construction:

#### Membrane Water Treatment Plant:

The Contractor focused their efforts on continued rebar and concrete placement for the backwash basin. CMU subcontractor has completed construction of the membrane building.





Membrane Building Block Wall Construction:

#### SEAL ROCK WATER DISTRICT ISSUES A STAGE 1 WATER CURTAILMENT NOTICE:

On June 28, 2021, Lincoln County Board of Commissioners adopted a Declaration of Local Drought Disaster for Lincoln County.

**During a drought, water conservation matters more than ever.** Across the Mid-Coast region, communities rely on surface water from rivers and streams, and flows are much lower than normal this year.

What does this mean for our water supply? Here in Seal Rock Water District, currently our water comes from the Siletz River. Currently due to drought conditions the district is issuing a Stage 1 water curtailment notice. If drought conditions continue to worsen, we will need to implement additional water curtailment measures. We will be monitoring our water supply and we will keep you informed about the status of our water supply throughout the summer.

Conservation will help our water supply go further. Water conservation is important every summer, but even more so during a drought. During the dry season, water use spikes because of landscape irrigation and the influx of visitors. In some areas, summer water use is more than twice the amount used in winter! That is why we are encouraging everyone to do their part to conserve water. The more we can conserve, the better our chances of avoiding the need for further water curtailment actions.

**How you can help:** Everyone in our community has a role to play in conserving our water resources – from residents and businesses to visitors. Here are some ways you can help:

Check your irrigation system for leaks and fix them as soon as you can.

- Make sure you're giving your plants only as much water as they need. If you see runoff after you irrigate, you may be watering too much. Considering cutting back the frequency or duration of irrigation, especially for well-established plants.
- Use drip irrigation, soaker hoses, and other efficient watering systems to send water straight to the roots of your plants.
- Water early in the morning so that water isn't lost to evaporation in the heat of the day.
- Make sure the sprinklers irrigating your landscape aren't also spraying pavement or other impervious surfaces.
- Install more water efficient fixtures, such as faucet aerators and showerheads, in your home.
- Check for indoor leaks, such as a running toilet.
- Reduce your shower time.

For more information regarding water conservation, please visit the district's website at <a href="https://www.srwd.org">www.srwd.org</a>.

## OTHER NOTABLE ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH INCLUDE:

- o Attended on-site Beaver Creek water quality and flow monitoring field data collection.
- o Reviewed several Requests for Information (RFI's) for the Beaver Creek Project.
- o Attended several meetings related to treatment plant operational software.
- o Attended LC Commissioners Drought Committee meetings.
- Attended the Mid-Coast Water Conservation Consortium Meetings.
- Attended several video conferences with engineers, contractors, and USDA to discuss submittals and schedule for work on the Beaver Creek Source water project.
- Attended preconstruction meetings with PacWave Energy Representatives.
- o Reviewed utility design detail for PacWave Energy Project.
- o Attended OWUC chlorine shortage meeting.
- Hosted SRWD safety/staff meeting.