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## **Seal Rock Water District**

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## **Begins Advanced Metering Installation (AMI)**

Seal Rock, Lincoln County, Oregon – Seal Rock Water District (SRWD) will begin installation of an advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) system from Raleigh-based Sensus. Advanced metering works via wireless technology to send readings to regional collectors that transmit the usage data directly to the District office. Regional collectors will be located at existing water storage tanks. The innovative system replaces monthly manual reads with the wireless system that collects multiple remote reads per day, allowing for better leak detection, increased billing accuracy and improved customer service.

"Sensus is a global leader in utility infrastructure systems and resource conservation, and supports the District's commitment to maintaining a high quality of life for our citizens through cost-effective, innovative programs," said Adam Denlinger, SRWD General Manager. "Advanced metering also supports the District's commitment to preserve and protect our environment by reducing carbon emissions by taking meter readers off the road, enhancing our ability to quickly detect and stop leaks, and provide customers with daily information on water use so that they can improve their efforts to conserve."

District customers can expect to be notified when their meter is scheduled to be replaced. A brief disruption in service will occur as individual meters are replaced, this typically takes 15-minutes or less. AMI installation is a \$1.5 million-dollar project, fully funded through a grant provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development through its Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program. The District will begin installation of the AMI system in September of this year, a process that could take up to 6-months to complete. Our communities' drinking water system will remain safe throughout the project.

To learn more about this project or other planned infrastructure improvements, please visit www.srwd.org