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Seal Rock Water District

General Manager's Report:
 Board Meeting April 13, 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 final project completion. The contractor has been very slow in responding to punch list items. 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 signature on substantial completion from the contractor.

District operators arrived at the water treatment plant on Monday, March 27th to discover that the computerized operation system used to operate the facility was completely offline. Operators discovered that the servers were not responding and had shut off, and operators were unable to reboot the servers. Unable to start the plant, operators reached out to Jacobs engineers and integrators to troubleshoot the issue. It was discovered that the same control card in a separate server failed. Dell service techs arrived on the 28th to replace the card, however, other software had failed also locking the system. Operators worked with integrators to bring the WTP back online two days later. As a result, the district reached out to our secondary source water supplier, the city of Newport, to run on the intertie for a couple of days. The system was restored only partially by Friday, March 31st and operators begin water production. However, not all systems were functioning at 100%.

On April 6th towards the end of the day, operators experienced another occurrence with the servers which limited operation and required manually shutting systems down. Fortunately, the plant was back in operation the next day. However, not all systems are fully functional. Staff continue working with Jacobs engineers and integrators to pinpoint issues and make necessary corrections.

Other notable activities for the month include:

- Attended meetings with engineers to discuss substantial completion and schedule for work on punch list items for the Beaver Creek Source Water Project.
- Met with consultants to discuss compliance with the new EPA Lead and Copper Rule.
- Met with engineers to discuss chemical dosing methods at the WTP.
- Attended Mid Coast Water Conservation Consortium Meeting.
- Met with property owners in the district to discuss water quality and Beaver Creek project conditions.
- 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, and the Water Management and Conservation Plan update.

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- District staff has been preparing information for the 2023 – 2024 budget to include potential water rate adjustments.
- Attended SDAO Legislative Water Committee meetings.
- Attended SDAO/SDIS Joint Working Group Meeting.
- Hosted a Budget Committee Member Orientation.
- Met with OHA Compliance Officer to discuss Lead and Copper Samples.
- Provided testimony to the legislature regarding legislation affecting water and wastewater issues.
- Attended the Monthly Oregon Water Utility Commission (OWUC) Meeting.
- Completed and submitted letter of interest for grant funding to perform a source water protection plan for the Beaver Creek intake.
- Assisted operators in removing prefilters at the WTP.
- Met with consultants and contractors at the WTP and Intake to discuss the installation of security lighting and cameras.
- Met with legal counsel to discuss project completion and potential schedule for arbitration.
- Met with representatives from the City of Newport to discuss participation at the MC-WPP.
- Staff met with the City of Toledo to discuss the option of supporting an emergency source water supply.