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Seal Rock Water District

General Manager's Report:
 Board Meeting July 9, 2020

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 SOURCE WATER PROJECT:

District staff and engineer along with funding partners from USDA-RD met with R&G Excavating at the bi-weekly to discuss project schedule and status. Work on the intake is scheduled to begin July 6, 2020 as scheduled by the in-water work period as a condition of State and Federal permitting. Site preparation and the intake site has been ongoing, and the contractor expects to begin construction of the cofferdam on July 6, 2020. Other items highlighted during the meeting included:

- CPI/Pioneer shared trenching and Phone Materials Delivery.
- Best Management Practices (BMP's) for erosion and sediment control have been installed along the pipeline route on South and North Beaver Creek Road.
- Schedule of materials submittal review is ongoing. Contractor reports that the lead time on some materials has been extended due to the current coronavirus pandemic.
- Regular communication with the contractor and engineer is ongoing to maintain clarity of work, to avoid delays, and to avoid surprises.



Site work at the Beaver Creek Intake location:

Seal Rock Water District is an Equal Opportunity Service Provider and Employer.

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COVID-19 ONGOING DISTRICT RESPONSE:

The district continues to comply with Governor, Kate Brown's Executive Orders, and the LC Phase-1 reopening restrictions. The district office is opened to the public by appointment only. We continue to encourage customers and staff to follow the CDC recommendations on social distancing by avoiding public spaces and limiting personal contact in the community. Out of an abundance of caution, the following protocols will continue to be followed:

- All non-essential meetings of 10-persons or more will be held using the district video conference call system.
- July Regular Board Meeting will be hosted by video conference call.
- All non-essential travel by district representatives has been canceled.
- SRWD is encouraging district staff and customers to practice social distancing and follow measures provided by the CDC to stop the spread of coronavirus.
- Customers are encouraged to pay their bill online at www.XpressBillPay.com or call 1-855-603-9201, use our payment drop box located outside our office at 1037 NW Grebe Street or mail payments to our PO Box 190, Seal Rock, OR 97376. Customers are also encouraged to enroll in the My Water Usage Customer Portal at biy.ly/mywaterusage.
- Temporary immediate suspension of delinquent turn-offs through the June billing cycle. This action will be reevaluated by the Board monthly. District has contacted those customers that are behind, encouraging them to make payment arrangements.
- Late fees and turn off/on fees have been suspended through July 2020.

Implementing these measures will reduce exposure to COVID-19 for our customers and staff. Like most municipal water suppliers throughout the state, we do not anticipate any disruption in service. We encourage anyone interested in learning more to please visit the CDC website for more information and updates on COVID-19 at www.cdc.gov/COVID19. We look forward to everyone staying healthy and getting back to normal as soon as possible.

EMERGENCY WATER SUPPLY TO THE CITY OF NEWPORT:

The City of Newport water treatment plant has been having difficulty meeting water demand over the past couple of weeks and have now reached a point where it is necessary to declare a local emergency and enact water curtailment requirements.

The problem is located at the Newport treatment plant with membrane filters quickly plugging, cutting production from approximately 2600 GPM down to 1600 GPM. The production problems only became evident for Newport when the Bayfront fish processors began operations a couple of weeks ago, increasing demand by approximately 1000 GPM. Newport treatment plant operators are working hard to correct the issue and hope to return the WTP to full operation by early next week.

Because it is going to take some time to resolve this issue, the City has requested that Seal Rock Water District open the intertie, to meet the demand in the South Beach community. District crews responded by opening the intertie on Monday June 22nd after notifying the City of Toledo Water Treatment Facility by

email. District crews have been coordinating with Toledo WTP operators to schedule pumping activities to allow both communities the ability to maintain safe levels in our respective storage reservoirs. We anticipate that temporary emergency water supply to Newport will continue through the Independence Day Weekend.

OTHER NOTABLE ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH INCLUDE:

- Attended on-site Beaver Creek water quality field data collection with GSI Consultants.
- June 29th attended a meeting with Newport representatives to discuss fire flow to the Newport Airport and the use of the intertie.
- Worked with general and special counsel regarding easement agreements.
- June 18th attended consultant interview for consultant services to provide the MC-WPP facilitation and planning writing services.
- July 1st attended joint meeting with the City of Toledo City Council.
- Provided input to SDAO Legislative Committee regarding a joint letter to Members of the Joint Special Committee on Coronavirus at the state capitol.
- Met with representative from OWRD to discuss transition of the Mid-Coast Water Planning Partnership.
- Worked with Jacobs and USDA-RD to complete modifications to the contract agreement with R&G Excavating.
- Attended several video conferences with engineers, contractor, and USDA to discuss submittals and schedule for on-site work.
- Attended several meetings with OWRD representatives to discuss transition of the MC-WPP from the City of Newport to the District, and to review proposals for hiring a planning facilitator.