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Seal Rock Water District

General Manager's Report: Board Meeting October 8, 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 meet bi-weekly with R&G Excavating to discuss project schedule and status. As you can see by the attached photographs the contractor has made significant progress in the last 30-days installing the remaining components of the intake structure below the high-water elevation. With the approval for in-water work extension work at this site is subject to the in-water work schedule and must now be completed by October 15th of this year. Unfortunately, due to subsurface changes and site conditions, additional piling is necessary to complete the in-water work at the intake site. As such a 30-day extension of the in-water work has been requested to allow the contractor to complete the work at the intake site.

INTAKE SITE

Contractor continues dewatering the intake site and is maintaining a low level of water in the work area. Final installation of Helical Pile has been completed allowing the contractor to form and pour the remaining portion of the intake structure.

Backfill around the intake structure and preparation to remove the cofferdam is scheduled to occur during the week of October 12th.



PIPELINE

Contractor is beginning the preliminary trench resurfacing along Beaver Creek Road. In the coming weeks, the contractor expects to have preliminary trench resurfacing complete on North and South Beaver Creek Road. The project includes grinding and resurfacing the entire eastbound lane of Beaver Creek Road next spring.

COVID-19 ONGOING DISTRICT RESPONSE:

The District continues to comply with Governor, Kate Brown's Executive Orders, and the Lincoln County proposed Phase-2 reopening restrictions which went into effect on September 29th. It is highly probable that Oregon OSHA will adopt temporary rulemaking (infection disease regulations) for Oregon employers which will go into effect in early October. Proposed regulations will likely require additional restrictions and compliance for district employees and customers. Until further notice, the District office will remain open to the public by appointment only. We continue to encourage customers and staff to follow the CDC recommendations on social distancing by avoiding public places and limiting personal contact in the community. Out of an abundance of caution, the following protocols remain in effect:

- All non-essential meetings of 10-persons or more will be held using the district video conference call system.
- October 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. 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 September 2020.

Implementing these measures continues to 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.

OTHER NOTABLE ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH INCLUDE:

- Attended on-site Beaver Creek water quality field data collection with GSI Consultants.
- Provided input to SDAO Legislative Committee regarding a joint letter to Members of the Joint Special Committee on Coronavirus at the state capitol.
- Meet with representatives from SDAO and OSHA to discuss infectious disease rulemaking affecting special districts in Oregon.
- Met with Toledo to discuss continued water purchase agreement.
- Attended several video conferences with engineers, contractor, and USDA to discuss submittals and schedule for on-site work on the Beaver Creek Source water project.
- Attended several meetings with OWRD representatives to the MC-WPP
- Attended 2021 SDAO Board meeting.
- Attended the September Oregon Water Utility Council (OWUC) meeting.