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# Seal Rock Water District

General Manager's Report: Board Meeting January 11, 2018

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-3 USDA-RD GRANT FUNDED AMI PROJECT:

After experiencing some project delay due to permitting the contractor is now beginning the process of system wide replacement of meters. Installation of communication towers and integration equipment at both tank sites was completed in late December.

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. Our community's drinking water system will remain safe throughout the project. AMI installation is a \$1.5 million-dollar project, fully funded through a grant provided by the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA-RD) through its Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program.



LOST CREEK AMI COMMUNICATION TOWER:

## • Phase-4 Source Water Project:

District staff are working cooperatively with representatives from USDA-RD and Business Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority (IFA) to provide additional details and certifications related to Phase-IV improvements in an effort to meet eligibility requirements for project funding as soon as possible. On December 1<sup>st</sup> District staff and engineer met with Business Oregon IFA Board to present the District's Phase-IV Beaver Creek source water improvements project. As a result, District staff received preliminary approval for project funding in the amount of \$3,481,000.00. IFA funding package includes a loan in the amount of \$2,451,000.00 at 1% for 30-years, and \$1,030,000.00 in forgivable loan (grant).

In early December District staff and engineer met with the State Engineer / State Environmental Coordinator for USDA-RD to discuss elements of the District's Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) for Phase-IV source water improvements and the District's application for funding. District staff and engineer are working with USDA-RD representatives to qualify funding for Phase-IV improvements.

Site preparation at the proposed Water Treatment Facility located at the Makai Tank Site began with the demolition of the 1MG decommissioned concrete storage tank. Seal Rock Water District crews begin to demolish a prestressed concrete water storage tank east of the Makai Community located on District owned property on January 5<sup>th</sup>.

The Makai Reservoir is a 1-million gallon prestressed concrete reservoir that was constructed in the 1970's. Due to the type of construction used at the time it is cost prohibitive to rehab the tank to today's seismic requirements. Therefore, the tank is being removed to make room for proposed future improvements.

### • OTHER NOTABLE ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER/JANUARY INCLUDE:

- Attended weekly meetings with engineers and contractor to discuss Phase-3 schedule for AMI improvements.
- o Facilitated District personnel staff/safety meeting.
- Met with engineer and representatives from USDA-RD to discuss Phase-IV Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report.
- District was awarded safety and security grant through SDIS.
- o Attended Mid-Coast Integrated Water Resources Planning meetings.
- Review and Complete Sections of the Management, Discussion and Analyses memo included with the annual audit report.