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Seal Rock Water District

General Manager's Report:

Board Meeting September 10, 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 intake structure and pipe gallery. Work at this site is subject to the in-water work schedule and must be completed by September 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. We have reduced the pump from a 4-inch submersible pump and are effectively maintaining levels with a 2-inch trash pump. The pumps continue dewatering upland into sediment bags minimizing turbidity levels in the river.

Settlement monitoring continues with daily reporting. The pre-load was completed on August 13. The six-month required pre-load will give us an approximate date of February 9 for completion.

Helical Pile installation has been delayed due to backordered materials. The anticipated ship date is the second week of September.



The trees in the right of way between Tax Lot 500 and Kona Place have been removed. Site clearing at this location is ongoing.

The lower slab and walls of the raw water pump station have been poured over the top of the lower helical piles. During the pour of this slab, there was seepage onto the concrete due to spring water pressure build-up. Repair methods are being considered. Ground Penetrating Radar services were performed on September 2nd and will be used to evaluate the issue and direct a course of action.



FORCE MAIN

Between stations 2+93 and 5500 we have installed the 14-inch Raw Water HDPE, the 3-inch Fresh Water HDPE, the District Fiber Optic Conduit, the Utility Power from CPI, and the 4-inch Supernate Line along South and North Beaver Creek Road. Blow-offs and raw water connection vault have been installed as well.



TREATMENT BUILDING SITE

Erosion control measures have been installed and subgrade preparations have begun. We began site work on the treatment building site, clearing and grubbing approximately 60% of the area and compacting using our Roller. The Clearwell footing and raised pad have had subgrade preparations.



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 scheduled to go into effect on September 29th. It is highly probable that Oregon OSHA will adopt temporary rule making (infection disease regulations) for Oregon employers which will go into effect October 1, 2020. Proposed regulation will likely require additional restrictions and compliance for district employees and customers. 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.
- September 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 August 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 August 2020.

Implementing these measures has reduced 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.
- Attended USDA-RD Beaver Creek Source Water project site evaluation Sept 1st.
- 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 infection disease rulemaking affecting special districts in Oregon.
- 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 discuss transition of the MC-WPP from the City of Newport to the District.
- Attended 2021 SDAO Conference Committee meeting.

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