

General Manager's Report: Board Meeting – December 12, 2024

This report serves as an executive summary for the Board meeting agenda. It provides recommendations for actions to be taken if necessary. Detailed information, staff reports, and supporting materials can be found in the full agenda packet.

PHASE-IV BEAVER CREEK SOURCE WATER:

Water Treatment Plant Operators continue working closely with engineers, WesTech technicians and to schedule modifications to the Clean in Place (CIP) Tank to move the heating elements to the CIP tank. Work to improve the heating process and remove the elements from the naturalization process is tentatively scheduled to begin in January 2025.

ANNUAL ROUTINE METER MAINTENANCE:

District field crews continue to perform annual meter maintenance throughout the distribution system. According to the manufacturer's recommendation field crews will visit every meter in the district, perform a system evaluation of the meter and surrounding area, and complete any routine maintenance at that time. Because the district no longer visits each meter on a monthly basis it is recommended to perform annual meter maintenance in an effort to catch problems in the field before they occur. Crews have completed approximately 50% of the system at this time.

SOUTH BAY ROAD EMERGENCY WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT:

This location is the site of repeated repairs on South Bay Road at milepost 4. Due to earth movement in this area, the pipeline is under a tremendous amount of force. District crews responded to a leak in this area due to earth movement in January 2024.

Proposed improvements include replacing 1000 LF of the 12-inch pipeline with 6-inch High Density Polyethylene Pipe (HDPE). Because the Toledo pipeline no longer serves as a primary source of water the need to continue maintaining a 12-inch pipeline does not seem necessary. Conversely, the Toledo pump station is not capable of supplying more water than can be delivered by a 6-inch pipeline. Finally, the customer base in this area consists of 20-customer connections, further justifying the need for a 6-inch pipeline to meet demand in this area.

To safely span the distance of the slide area crews would need to install 1000 LF of 6-inch HDPE at an estimated cost of \$50,000. This cost includes the purchase of materials, rental equipment, and spoils removal or hauling. SRWD crews would self-perform this work. Funding to support this effort was recently approved

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by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners through a grant agreement using funds provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant funding. District crews are in the process of securing materials and equipment for this project and will begin mobilizing to complete the repairs in January 2025.

Other notable activities for the month include:

- Attended the Mid-Coast Water Conservation Consortium Meeting.
- Hosted monthly staff/safety meeting.
- Attended Mid-Coast Water Planning Partnership Meeting.
- Attended the monthly Oregon Water Utility Council (OWUC) meeting.
- Attended Oregon Government Ethics Commission Public Meeting Law training on November 26, 2024.
- Attended the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners Meeting virtually December 4th.
- Attended several meetings with engineers regarding WTP operations.
- District admin staff worked with the district's auditor to review financial information for the annual audit process.