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To: LOCSD Board of Directors

From: Ron Munds, General Manager

Subject: Agenda Item #4D General Manager Activity for February

2021

GENERAL ACTIVITIES

- **COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act.** The COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act <u>SB91</u> (Act) was signed into law January 29, 2021. The Act extends eviction protections to COVID-19 impacted tenants and establishes the state's Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Depending on the source of information, between \$8 to \$17 million has been allocated to San Luis Obispo County for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Because of the impact the pandemic has had on some households ability to pay their utility bills, a group of special district General Managers have been following the Act and the County's response to disburse the allocated funds. It appears the County will rely on the State to administer the funds to qualified tenants and landlords but, at this point, it is unclear what the application process will be. Interested parties can go to the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency website for more information at https://www.bcsh.ca.gov/covidrelief/tenant_relief_faq.html. The District will try to keep up to date information on our website as well.
- Basin Management Committee Update. There was no BMC meeting this month but BMC staff continued to work on a funding analysis to see if there are alternative funding mechanisms available other than relying mostly on water purveyor rates and charges. Hopefully, the analysis will be ready for the March meeting. Accessory dwelling units (ADUs) are another hot topic. The County and the three water purveyors are in discussions regarding water availability for ADUs. This item will probably be on the March BMC agenda as well.
- Ferrell Avenue Pathway Project. There has been significant progress in moving this project forward. We received a permit extension from the US Fish and Wildlife Service, received the Encroachment Permit from County Public Works and have email confirmation (permit not in hand) from County Planning and Building that permit should be issued any time. As of the date of this meeting, the bid documents will have been released. The schedule calls for the project award coming to the Board at the May meeting with construction beginning June 1st.
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