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To: LOCSD Board of Directors
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March General Manager’s Report

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SLO County Planning Department Meeting. The BMC parties and County Planning staff meeting resumed this month. The main topic was the Water Offset/Conservation Study that has been in the process for quite some time. It appears the study is schedule for completion by the end of June. A draft of the report will be presented at public meetings in the coming months. The HCP is supposed to be submitted to USFWS anytime now with a tentative date to take it to the Board of Supervisors in July.

Impact of Winter Rain Events on Water Supply. There have been quite of few questions from the public regarding the impact of this year’s rainy season on the groundwater basin. The BMC will be conducting their spring monitoring activities during April and May so there should be information available in a couple of months.

Recycled Water Facility Planning Study Grant. The District is lead agency on a State Water Board grant that will assist in developing a transient model for the BMC. Requests for Proposals were received on March 31st. BMC parties’ staff and Executive Director will be evaluating the proposal and making a recommendation for award. The transient model will be an important tool in analyzing the groundwater basin’s recovery over the next decade.

FEMA Reimbursement Updates. Staff has had two in-person meetings with FEMA staff. One was an in-office meeting to review all the District submittals to date and discuss the additional paperwork that needs to be filed. The second meeting was a site inspection where staff provide a tour and explanation of the repairs that are underway. There is no time schedule yet as to when the District will hear back from FEMA on any possible reimbursement for the project.

San Luis Ambulance Service (SLAS) Performance Discussions. District, Cal Fire staff and County Emergency Medical Services personnel have had continuing discussions with and SLAS management regarding their substandard response time to Los Osos. A pilot program to improve the response time is underway and has been extended into May of this year. Chief Provence and I will be providing more information on the pilot program to the public and the Board in the coming months.

Staff Work Anniversaries. We have had two staff work anniversaries this month; Clint Requa and Rumel Florentino. Clint is a Water Resources Operator who has worked for the District for eleven years; Rumel has worked for us for sixteen years. Both are key members of our water team and we are fortunate to have two such dedicated individuals working for us!