ACWD General Manager (GM) Report April 2021

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- **Regarding the driven pipe water flow problem:** Bruce and Edward finally had a chance to try out the motorized snake on Sunday the 25th and Monday the 26th of March. By the end of the day on Sunday they were discouraged because the results weren't good, but on Monday, Edward did another go at it and voila!!! Two of the pipes that had previously been major producers yielded clots of tree roots and the water came back full force! The wet area out in the spring field immediately dried up and our water collection more than doubled at approximately 72 GPM. Thanks to Jared Recasens Portola's water operator for helping us locate the right equipment for the job. It turned out to be a good investment. This information also justifies the tree removal that is planned as part of the future construction project at the Ram Spring.
- **Drought warning.** Despite the good news above, the State Water Resources Control Board has issued a warning to all water rights holders that 2021 is looking like a drought year similar to 2015 when they issued curtailment orders. Everyone is asked to please conserve water.
- **Request to use the district's PO Box for the Alleghany Firewise community.** We need to provide a mailing address to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for the firewise application for Alleghany. Does anybody object to using ACWD's PO Box? It would be listed as c/o ACWD on the address. I had asked the AVFD non-profit about this and they were receptive, but I don't check that box. I would prefer using a box that I have the key to.

Correspondence

Incoming: Notice from State Division of Water Rights stating that it looks like it is going to be a drought year and to plan accordingly.

Outgoing: Letter, community signed thank you Card and $50 gift card given to Bob Hale with a note that when COVID is over we want to have a gathering at the park for him. Forms 700s and oaths of office sent to Sierra County Clerk-Recorder's office