

NOTICE

OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ALLEGHANY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Date: Tuesday December 12, 2023 Time: 6:00 pm Location: Alleghany Firehouse 105 Plaza Court

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1. Call to Order & Establish a Quorum

2. Consent Calendar

- a) Approval of agenda
- b) Reading and approval of the minutes for the regular meeting dated November 14, 2023.
- c) Ratification of Treasury Report and bill payments for November 2023

3. Information/Discussion Items:

- a) Correspondence –
- b) SRF Projects Update Provided in writing.
- c) Board/Staff Reports Chief Water Operator (CWO) & General Manager (GM)
- d) Historical Church/Library report one item under "new business"
- e) Park report
- 4. Unfinished Business (Discussion & Possible Action Items):
 - a) Customer Accounts/Billings/Disconnects: 1 account is 60 days overdue and 5 accounts are 90 days overdue.
 - b) Ordinances, Policies & Procedures and Bylaws: Nothing prepared for meeting
 - c) Status of proposed insurance carrier change. updated information and loss runs provided to Golden State RMA in November and December 2023. Expect new quote in time for January meeting.
 - d) Authorize GM to apply for Bridge Loan to Facilitate Ram Spring Project (tabled last month).
- 5. New Business (Discussion & Possible Action Items):
 - a) Adopt Water Distribution Operator job description.
 - b) Consider rescinding resolution #120 adopted on June 28, 2023 and adopting resolution #121
 - c) Vote to return to traditional Brown Act Rules (post-covid).
 - d) Dead tree removal at tank site and limbing at Historical Church
- 6. Public Response Time: The public may be heard before or during the consideration of any agenda item to be considered by the board, subject to reasonable time limitations for each speaker. Members of the public may address matters under the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors, and not on the posted agenda, provided that no action shall be taken by the board unless the matter is deemed urgent by a 2/3 vote. Per the district's bylaws: complaints about board members or district staff are to be submitted in writing (not to be aired at meetings).

Next regular meeting date January 9, 2024 Agenda items: Insurance Coverage Decision,

7. Adjournment.

Regular Meeting of the Alleghany County Water District Board of Directors Tuesday November 14, 2023, Meeting was held at the Alleghany Firehouse and over phone

- 1. Call to Order & Establish a Quorum The meeting was called to order by President Tobyn Mehrmann at 6: 07 P.M. Directors present: Tobyn Mehrmann, Robbin DeWeese; Brianne Price; Nancy Finney G.M. Rae Bell, CWO Bruce Coons and Secretary Amber Mehrmann was present and took minutes. Coral Spencer was absent. Members of the public Burns Tenney and Vicky Tenney were also present.
- **2. Consent Calendar:** Motion was made to approve the consent calendar by Nancy Finney and Brianne Price 2nd .Ayes: Brianne Price, Robbin DeWeese, Nancy Finney, and Tobyn Mehrmann Noes: O Absent: Coral Spencer Abstain: 0
- 3. Information and Discussion Items a. Correspondence: Back and forth emails on the following topics: Cranmer Engineering with water quality testing results, Coleman Engineering and ACWD water operators re: tank leak, Golden Sate RMA re updated insurance quote, Francine Fau of the Water Quality Control Board Dept. of Finance and Chad Coleman re funding agreement, LIHWAP (Low income bill assistance) re: program extension, (extension documents submitted timely extending the program through May of 2024) Coleman Engineering and Calif. Rural Water Association about a bridge loan.
- **b. SRF Project**: Report provided in writing. Additionally, Burns Tenney asked about the Ram Springs improvement project what all was involved. Rae Bell provided a summary of the project and will provide a detailed written report for December's meeting packet.
- c. Board/Staff Reports CWO Report: The GPM for the spring (raw water) is at 119.4 gallons and the Total Finished Water Production for October was 162,590 gallons.
- ~The Routine samples are negative.
- "There wasn't any silver present in the silver test.
- ~Temporary tanks are now winterized and we are drawing off of the big tank.
- ~The park and cemetery water is shut off now.
 - **G.M. Report:** No report other than what's already on the agenda.
- d. Historical Church/Library Report: None.
- e. Park Report: None

4. Unfinished Business

- a. Customer Accounts/Billings/Disconnects: Three accounts are 60 days overdue plus two are 90 days overdue.
- **b.** Policies & Procedures & Ordinances: Nothing prepared for meeting.
- c. Status of proposed insurance carrier change: see notes on agenda
- d. Adopt CWO job Description: Went over the description and lowered the maximum weight that needed to be lifted to 50 pounds. The Motion to adopt the job description was made by Breanna Price and Nancey Finney 2nd .Ayes: Brianne Price, Robbin DeWeese, Nancy Finney, and Tobyn Mehrmann Noes: O Absent: Coral Spencer Abstain: 0

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- a). Authorize GM to apply for bridge loan ^ Comments provided in writing on the GM report. There was a discussion about the bridge loan and the possible risks involved. Rae suggested that the loan officer attend the next meeting to answer questions. The item was tabled until next meeting. Nancy Finney made the motion and Brianne Price 2nd .Ayes: Brianne Price, Robbin DeWeese, Nancy Finney, and Tobyn Mehrmann Noes: O Absent: Coral Spencer Abstain: 0
- 6. Public Response Time: None.
- **7.** Adjournment Next meeting date, items for next agenda and adjournment: Next meeting will be on December 12, 2023; at 6:00 P.M.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 P.M.	
Respectfully Submitted:	
Amber Mehrmann, Secretary	



Alleghany County Water District Treasury Report

November 2023

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5830	11/2	Cranmer Engineering	Water Tests	\$	165.0
5831	11/2	CSDA	Yearly Membership	\$	226.0
5832	11/2	gWorks	Billing program annual subscr	ription \$	622.0
5833	11/2	HACH	Supplies & Maintenance	\$	41.3
5834	11/9	Bruce Coons	WDO October Bill - Gross \$45	57.20 \$	363.0
5835	11/17	Edda Snyder	Bookkeeper October Bill - Gro		184.7
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~ State Revolving Fund (SRF) Projects Update

Meeting Date: 12/12/2023 Prepared by Rae Bell Arbogast GM

1. Ram Spring Improvement Project (RSIP) Project ID 4600012-008C

This is a continuation of Planning Project ID 4600012-0008P started in 2015 and completed 12/31/2020.

Funding Agreement dated 10/12/2023 ~ Estimated completion date: 2/28/2026 ~

Budget: **Up to \$1.5 Million** Budget categories as approved by the state were provided in the Nov.2023 meeting documents. The preliminary engineer's estimate that was prepared as part of the application process is attached.

Primary objective: To reconfigure the Ram Spring Pumphouse and facilities to accommodate and protect the driven pipes that were installed as part of the planning project. Planning Projects do not cover permanent infrastructure costs, for that reason, after the driven pipes were installed, the facilities were reconfigured as quickly and cheaply as possible while still meeting State Drinking Water Standards. **Other objectives:** To build a 12' x16' building at the Ram Spring that can be used as a "sample lab" and to store district tools and records. To upgrade all residential water meters under a special program for that purpose. To update the stand-by generator and pumps that are over 30 years old.

Scope of work:

Replace Ram Spring Manifold (external piping), new pipes to be fully supported and buried for UV and freeze protection. Additional overflow capacity to be added for high water events, to allow the escape of excess water without causing backpressure inside the driven pipes. This can compromise their productivity and even wreck them. (Water follows the path of least resistance, and if new channels are formed by back pressure the water may flow in those channels rather than through the driven pipes when water levels reside again).

Remove all trees and brush in the spring collection area and replace fencing Current fence will be removed, tree removal shall take place all the way to the back of the parcel (current fence is not placed on the property lines). A new fence will be installed that will fence off a larger area, all the way to the back (uphill side) of the property. (Don't have a drawing that shows both the old and new fence line on one sheet will ask for one). The tree removal serves two main purposes: 1. To protect the driven pipes from tree root intrusion which can stop water flow. 2. For increased fire protection around the facility.

Pumphouse upgrades: Replace pumps & generator, install SCADA compatible flowmeter to record water production (mechanical meter installed in 2019 will also be kept in place). Chlorination system upgrade, to be compatible with SCADA system. (Other configuration updates as identified with completion of plans and specifications).

Construct a concrete support pad and permanent shelter for 1,000 gallon poly tank This tank was put in place after the pipes were driven to replace the in-ground sump inside the pumphouse. The old sump was not isolated from surface water intrusion. In order to fully eliminate surface water intrusion, the sump had to be taken out of the circuit. The tank is currently sitting in the dirt. It will be placed on an engineered concrete slab and a snow-roof will be placed over it.

Residential water meters will be upgraded The state has a special program for this and ACWD meters are all beyond their useful life expectancy.

FIRST TASKS Coleman Engineering will be completing the plans and specifications that were started in the planning phase of the project. They will then put together a project bid packet and will oversee the bidding process. They also will be completing the environmental documents and obtaining the needed permits.

The first disbursement request (bill from ACWD to the State) is due in January for expenses accrued through 12/31/2023. Altec Engineering and ACWD GM Rae Bell (I) have a considerable amount of time to bill for work done after the planning budget was used up. Altec \$31,300 Rae Bell through Nov. of 2022 \$5,475 (haven't added up this year yet). The State worked with us to cover the gap between projects, and this is included in the RSIP budget.

There was a question at the November meeting about the \$20,000 budget line item for Administration. My answer was only partially correct. To clarify: that line-item will be used to cover all administrative costs related to the project. This includes disbursement requests (Accounts Receivable) bill payments (Accounts Payable), the preparation of quarterly reports, staff meetings and documentation, plus all other record keeping as required by the terms of the agreement. Any supplies, copies or postage related to these tasks can be billed to the project as well. As reported last month, most of the tasks listed above will be performed by the ACWD GM (me) unless something changes. ACWD should allow the bookkeeper (Edda) to bill hourly for any project related work (she is currently paid a flat monthly rate). This can then be billed to the project. This can be considered with her job description adoption hopefully next month.

After last month's meeting, I got clarification that other staff time, such as consultations with ACWD's water operators can also be billed to the administration line-item. Once construction begins, the water operator's time may be billed to either this line item or Construction Management, depending upon what they are consulted for. The budget line items are not tied to specific vendors, the billing is based on what was done.

2. Water Tank Repair Project:

In summary: There are three prongs to this project: 1. The warranty repair work, 2. The Technical Assistance Request already awarded to Coleman Engineering to oversee the repair work. For up to \$7,000 3. A Funding agreement approved in November for up to \$110,000 to cover the installation of cathodic protection that was not included in the original tank construction project. This agreement hasn't been signed yet, but it has been approved under a fast-track program for urgent needs. The resolution on this month's agenda and a budget are the two items still needed to execute the agreement.

Additionally, there was a previous TA request initiated immediately after the tank failure was discovered that was paid by the State. The California Rural Water Association (CRWA) was hired to determine the cause(s) of the failure. The final report was completed on December 22, 2022 but was inconclusive. After that it was decided by all parties to bring Coleman Engineering in to work out a solution. Coleman had just been vetted and hired by ACWD for the Ram Spring Project and had also recently been approved by the State as a TA contract recipient.

Status: An updated scope of work for the warranty repairs was drafted on 12/7/2023 and is circulating for comments from all involved parties: BRCO Constructors, Thompson Tank, ACWD Staff, and the State Division of Drinking water. On-the-ground work is still expected to start in late April of 2024. Once the scope of work is finalized a copy will be provided in the ACWD meeting documents.

Timeline Tank Failure discovered: 10/30/2021 Tank drained and inspected mid-November 2021. First TA request submitted to State Dec. 2021 and approved in Jan. of 2022.

Disclaimer "Funding for these projects has been provided in full or in part through an agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board. The contents of this document do not necessarily reflect the views and policies of the foregoing, nor does mention of trade names or commercial products constitute endorsement or recommendation for use."

Opinion of Probable Construction Cost

Client: Alleghany County Water District

Engineer: Coleman Engineering

Project: Ram Spring Improvement Project

Project #: ALLE22-001

Date: 12/7/2022

Prepared By: SLK Checked By: CRC

No.	Item	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
General		- Laurency			-
1	Mobilization / Demobilization	10%	%	\$70,000	\$70,000
2	SWPPP/ Erosion Control	2%	%	\$20,000	\$20,000
Demolition					
	Clear, Scalp, Grub and Re-grade (Spring Field, Storage Bldg,				
3	Wetland Rehab)	1	LS	\$16,900	\$17,000
4	Remove and dispose of chain link fence	1	LS	\$6,500	\$7,000
	Remove and dispose of weed-barrier fabric inside fenced			, ,,,,,,,,	1 /
5	area	1	LS	\$5,000	\$5,000
6	Remove and dispose of trees, saplings, and underbrush	1	LS	\$11,700	\$12,000
•	Remove and dispose of ball valves, PVC collector pipes and			Ų11,700	Ÿ12,000
7	manifold pipes	1	LS	\$7,500	\$8,000
8	Remove and dispose of generator	1	LS	\$5,000	\$5,000
9	Remove and dispose of generator Remove and dispose of pumps and associated equipment	1	LS	\$5,000	\$5,000
Civil Impro		Т.	L	75,000	\$3,000
10	Earthwork: Excavation, Rough Grading, Finish Grading	1	LS	\$21,000	\$21,000
11	Install Curtain Drains	250	LF	\$125	\$32,000
12	4" PVC Drainage Piping from Curtain Drains	90	LF	\$14	\$2,000
13	Place Weed-barrier Fabric, Crush Rock, and Native Soil	1	LS	\$7,500	\$8,000
14	Install chain link site fence	450	LF	\$86	\$39,000
15	Install chain link 3' gate	450	EA	\$528	\$3,000
16		1	EA		
16	Install chain link 6' gate, 12' Opening Install unions, ball valves, PVC collector pipes and manifold	1	EA	\$1,320	\$2,000
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17	pipes	1	LS	\$15,000	\$15,000
18	Construct valve boxes, sampling station, gate valve	6	EA	\$2,000	\$12,000
	Construct concrete pad for new roof cover over collector	_		4	4
19	tank	2	CY	\$2,000	\$5,000
	Construct new collector tank overflow, drain, and outlet				
20	piping	1	LS	\$5,000	\$5,000
	Construct concrete gutter with steel inlet grate at storage				
21	building driveway	32	LF	\$600	\$20,000
22	Construct Bollards	2	EA	\$1,050	\$3,000
23	Construct AC paved driveway to the new storage building	485	SF	\$50	\$25,000
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24	Pump House Mechanical Improvements	1	LS	\$80,415	\$81,000
25	Pump System Electrical Improvements	1	LS	\$24,300	\$25,000
26	Pump House Electrical	1	LS	\$16,000	\$16,000
27	Storage Building Electrical	1	LS	\$5,000	\$5,000
28	Storage Tank Electrical	1	LS	\$5,000	\$5,000
29	Procure and Install Propane Generator	1	LS	\$50,000	\$50,000
Architectu					
30	Storage Building with sample lab (12'x16')	1	LS	\$65,000	\$65,000
31	Roof over exising collector tank (12'x12')	1	LS	\$20,000	\$20,000
32	Improvements to existing pump house or replacement	1	LS	\$35,000	\$35,000
Off-site Im	provements				
33	Residental service meter replacement	52	EA	\$1,500	\$78,000

SUB-TOTAL ESTIMATED COST = \$721,000 **Basis for Cost Projection:**

90% DESIGN LEVEL CONTINGENCY (20%) = Construction Cost Opinion = \$145,000 Pre-Design

50% Draft Design \$866,000 V 90% Draft Design

100% Design Engineering = \$320,286 Final Design

Environmental Consulting pre- and during construction = \$22,323 Engineering Services During Construction = \$185,262

TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COST = \$1,394,000

ACWD General Manager (GM) Report December 2023

Prepared by Rae Bell Arbogast

<u>Correspondence</u> Back and forth emails on the following topics: Cranmer Engineering with water quality testing results, Coleman Engineering and ACWD water operators re: tank leak, Golden State RMA and State Fund re updated insurance quote, Francine Fau of the Water Quality Control Board Dept. of Finance and Chad Coleman re: funding agreement, Coleman Engineering and Calif. Rural Water Association about the bridge loan program, California Water Quality Control Board re: new reporting requirements for annual EAR report.

AGENDA ITEM 4. d) BRIDGE LOAN

This item was tabled last month. After the meeting I did extensive research looking for viable alternatives to taking out this loan (line of credit) but did not come up with anything. Below is the loan officer's response to my question asking if he has ever seen a loan fail. In an earlier email he stated that as the lender, CRWA cannot guarantee that ACWD would not get stuck with any costs. He did not think that it is necessary to attend our board meeting.

We don't really track our loans by whether they're bridge loans or not, but I personally have done maybe 10 in the last year, and while we've had some that have had delays where we've had to extend the loan (which is no problem) we haven't had any that have not been repaid with the grant funds. I can't recall which grant funds you folks are relying on, but assuming it's SWRCB, which about 90% of these are I would say you're very safe. They can take a long time with disbursements but they always eventually pay. You will also only ever have a loan balance of what you would have had to pay anyway. I guess you could get stuck with a bit of interest/loan fees, but unless you're planning on waiting for reimbursement from the grant before making payment to the contractor (which is a risky proposition in itself) you don't really have much extra at risk.

I guess my question back to the board would be if you don't get a loan do you have the funds in hand to cover 3 months (the amount of time it takes to get reimbursement) of construction draws out of pocket? If you do, then wonderful, you don't need a loan, but if you don't, I don't know of any contractors that are going to wait 3 months to get paid so how will you actually complete the project? [See my note below actually much longer in most cases. RB]

Thanks!

Mike Archer RCAC | Loan Fund Loan Officer | Northern California and Alaska (406) 465-2327 (cell) marcher@rcac.org

To reiterate what was shared last month: There is NO cost to ACWD. The State Funded Project covers all loan origination fees and interest. On the two previous projects the State allowed monthly billing. That has changed to quarterly billing with the new project. This means that work performed by a contractor at the beginning of a quarter might not be reimbursed by the State for as long as 5-6 months! It is not reasonable to expect contractors to wait that long to be paid. The Bridge Loan program was set up for this exact reason, to assist small districts such as ours.

I would also like to point out that last month everyone seemed to be focused on the potential risk of the loan (which is minimal) rather than the overall benefit of the project. In my book, the benefit far outweighs the risk. Worst case scenario, even if ACWD did get stuck with some costs (which is not expected) ACWD would still be in a much better position as far as infrastructure goes after the project is completed.

AGENDA ITEM 5. a) WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATOR (WDO) JOB DESCRIPTION To refresh everyone's memories. These job descriptions were compiled in 2021 as part of the Technical Managerial and Financial (TMF) analysis conducted by the California Rural Water Association (CRWA). It was paid for by a TA request with the State Revolving Fund and was required as part of the application process for the Ram Spring Project.

CRWA recommended that ACWD have an HR attorney review the descriptions. ACWD had that done in 2021 and had to pay for it out of pocket. Once we got the descriptions back, a committee was formed to look at the attorney's recommendations, but we ran into scheduling difficulties. One thing that was challenging for us was that the attorney's comments could only be seen on the electronic files (you could not print them). I finally looked at the comments myself and they are very minimal. Our goal at the beginning of this year was to do one Job Description per monthly meeting. We started with Bruce's description and due to extenuating circumstances, we got stuck on that one for most of the year. Bruce's job description was finally adopted last month.

This month I have incorporated the HR attorney's comments into the WDO (Edward's) job description. The only significant change is at the end where his regular pay is listed at \$1.00 an hour over minimum wage. This represents a \$1.00 per hour raise for him. He did not request this, I put it in for board consideration.

He is planning on coming to the meeting. He did not want a closed session to discuss this. I support the increase 100% because as it is, ACWD pays the on-call snow shovelers minimum wage and Edward is carrying a lot of responsibility.

I also added the prevailing wage for State Funded Projects at the end. This is on Bruce's adopted job description as well.

AGENDA ITEM 5. c) BROWN ACT Last month the Secretary expressed concern that ACWD may not be in compliance with Post Covid Brown Act Rules. I cannot plead ignorance on this topic as Pliocene Ridge CSD just dealt with the same thing. The new post covid rules have several new components but my understanding is that the main part that causes a problem for ACWD is the requirement that remote meetings include a computer login option with visual which we cannot provide.

To the best of my understanding and based upon conversations with the Sierra County Clerk Recorder's Office the simplest solution appears to be having the board vote to go back to "traditional Brown Act rules". The traditional rules do allow for phone conferences.

The only problem is that the traditional rules state that if a Board Member attends remotely, the location that they are calling from must be listed on the agenda AND must made accessible to the public. For that reason, Pliocene Ridge is making the call-in option available to non-board members only. But if a Board Member wanted to call in remotely, they technically could if they meet the requirements listed above. Since the agenda goes out a minimum of 72 hours in advance, they would have to notify the Secretary or GM in time to get it on the agenda.

My recommendation is for the board to vote to go back to the traditional rules for now. If somebody wants to take on a research project and/or use our 1-hour of free legal with the California Special District's Association to sort it out, please volunteer! The Recorder's Office does have legal counsel, so I tend to follow their lead.

Alleghany County Water District

RESOLUTION NUMBER #121 (REPLACES #120)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTERING INFO A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH SWRCB FOR THE CATHODIC PROTECTION PROJECT AND APPOINTING AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT

Whereas, Alleghany County Water District (ACWD) has submitted an application to the State Water Resources Control Board for funding for the Cathodic Protection Project (Project); and

Whereas, prior to the State Water Resources Control Board's executing a funding agreement, ACWD is required to adopt a resolution authorizing an agent, or representative, to sign the funding agreement, amendments, and requests for disbursement on behalf of ACWD, and to carry out other necessary Project-related activities;

Now, therefore, be it resolved and ordered, that ACWD is hereby authorized to carry out the Project, enter into a funding agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board, and accept and expend State funds for the Project; and

Be it further resolved and ordered, that the General Manager or designee, is hereby authorized and designated to sign, for and on behalf of ACWD, the funding agreement for the Project and any amendments thereto; and

Be it further resolved and ordered, that the General Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized and designated to represent the ACWD in carrying out ACWD's responsibilities under the funding agreement, including certifying invoices and disbursement requests for Project costs on behalf of ACWD and in compliance with applicable state and federal laws.

Be it further resolved and ordered, that any and all actions, whether previously or subsequently taken by ACWD, which are consistent with the intent and purposes of the foregoing resolution, shall be, and hereby are, in all respects, ratified, approved and confirmed.

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Alleghany County Water District held on December 12, 2023.

By the following vote: DRAFT	County War
Ayes:	The Continue of the Continue o
Signature: By: Amber Merhman, Secretary	Established March 8, 1939 March 8, 1939 California California



Alleghany County Water DistrictJob Description ~ Water Distribution Operator

Supervisor: Chief Water Operator (CWO)

Support staff: General Manager (GM) & Bookkeeper

Classification: Permanent Part-time, On Call Status: Non-Exempt

Qualifications:

Must be reliable and trustworthy.

State of California Water Distribution Operator Certification License D1.

State of California Driver's License desired.

Proficient in the use of standard office equipment such as telephones, computers, and copiers.

Good communication skills.

Physical Requirements

Physical stamina to perform system and maintenance repair work, walk and work on uneven terrain, climb and descend ladders, ability to lift, carry, push, pull and reach materials and equipment weighting up to 80 pounds.

Mobility to work in a standard water treatment plant, using specialized test equipment, hand and power tools, instrumentation.

Ability to work in confined spaces and around machines; must have good hearing.

Vision to read printed materials, charts, gauges and computer screens.

May be exposed to inclement weather conditions, including working in sun, water and snow. Work may include loud noises from equipment operation, odors, dust, and potentially toxic chemicals and conditions during the normal function of duties.

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities.

Job Summary

- This position supports the Chief Water Operator in keeping the water system functioning with minimal disruptions and in compliance with State Drinking Water regulations.
- Reads all customer meters on or near the first day of each month.
- Enters meter readings in the billing program.
- Performs routine maintenance tasks as delegated by CWO.
- Scheduling for routine work is to be coordinated with the CWO
- Requires "on-call" availability for unexpected repair needs or leak detection/remediation.

Duties

- Represent the water district in a professional manner when dealing with the public, other agencies, contractors, and customers.
- Maintain familiarity with District Procedures and make recommendations to GM for improvements or additional procedures if needed.
- Oversee system operations in the absence of the CWO.
- Read all active customer water meters on or near the first of the month, making note of any repair or maintenance issues discovered. Report all issues to the CWO, including follow-up reminders if needed. Exceptions to the meter reading schedule may be granted during snow events. If unable to read the meters due to illness or other circumstances, arrange for another person to do it.
- Assist CWO with all repairs and maintenance needs as needed.
- Become familiar with SCADA system, with a goal of increased proficiency over time. Report problems to CWO or GM for follow-through with service requests.
- Add chemicals in accordance with established procedures, record meter and gauge readings, responds to outlying system alarm conditions.
- On weekends: perform routine maintenance at the pumphouse as needed, including test run of stand-by generator, chemical component check, test run pumps, clean filters, visually inspect premises.
- Perform other related duties as required or assigned.
- This position does not require travel outside of Alleghany, but may include coordination for taking water samples to the lab if the CWO is not able to do so.

Compensation:

\$1.00 over minimum wage as set by the State of California, Plus a flat rate of \$50 for performing meter readings. For State-funded projects will be paid prevailing wage or equivalent.

I have read, understand, and agree to perform the duties and responsibilities outlined above.

X	date	
Name printed		