

## **ACWD General Manager (GM) Report April 2022**

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- **WATER TANK PROBLEM**, As previously explained, we have a two-prong approach going to determine the cause of the leaky tank: The contractor is doing an investigation AND we put in a technical assistance (TA) request in with the State. The TA workplan was drafted in early February and is slowly winding its way through the levels of approval. I have asked multiple times if there is a way to speed it up, but to no avail.

On the other prong: The contractor BRCO, is working with the sub-contractor Thompson Tank and the tank manufacturer Columbia Tank, to investigate the problem. The tank manufacturer seems to be dragging their feet. After providing all water testing data requested, they asked for a NEW water quality panel. Both the contractor BRCO and our state inspector came to bat for us and said that the historical water quality data is sufficient. No new water quality panel should be required of ACWD.

In the meantime, BRCO has assured us that the tank will be back in service before fire season. Probably, after the investigation into the cause of the problem is completed, they will have to do a temporary repair job to get us through fire season. Figuring out the cause of the problem is only the first step, the next step will be determining who is going to pay for the replacement or repair of the tank and lining up the work. I continue to follow-up on a regular basis with all involved parties. We are expecting the TA workplan approval any day now.

- **PGE ENERGY AUDIT** Nothing new to report.
- **IIPP** – The district has a new injury & illness prevention plan as required by OSHA. State Fund our worker's comp. carrier has an online tool that makes it really easy to "build" a plan so I took advantage of it in March. The hard copy is at the pumphouse.
- **SRF Projects audit**: I learned from the chief auditor that the other team members are new and this is their first audit. This is causing it to take longer than usual. As of this writing, the audit is not finished, but the requests for information are minimal. On a related note: I purchased four plastic file boxes at a total cost of \$42.89 to store the SRF project files. The retention requirement for these files is 40 years. This will enable storing them with proper labelling for future staff members (generations!).
- **Annual 2021 Usage Report to State**: Completed and accepted by the State Water Board on April 5<sup>th</sup> with one correction. It only took 5 hours for me to complete the report this year, which is much less than last year. Part of the problem is that it bogs down my internet and each section takes forever to open. They made a lot of changes to the report last year but not this year. I was able to copy a lot of the answers from last year's report which sped it up.

### Correspondence

Incoming:

Outgoing: Form 700s to Sierra County Clerk-Recorder