<u>State Revolving Fund (SRF) Projects Update:</u> For ACWD BOD Meeting Date: 9/8/20 Prepared by Rae Bell

Planning Project

<u>Budget Up to \$500,000</u> Final payment of \$10, 740.33 received in August and deposited on Sept 3rd. This is mostly money owed to Kip.

The environmental reports: No progress to report since last month.

Final completion date for Planning Project 12/1/2020. Even though the final invoice has been paid by the State there is still more work to do: mainly finishing up the environmental reports and bid packet. The State SRF division has assured us that Kip and I can bank our time and bill it to the future construction project. It will be probably 2 years or more before the money becomes available based on previous experience.

Tank Project total amount funded up to \$920,000 amount billed through final bill \$911,592.00

We are waiting for the final payment which should be \$14,593. This is all money owed to Kip. (the State denied a few of his older invoices based on the budget category being over-drawn and they told us that we could re-bill it all on the last invoice)

No word from the contractor on help with our extra expenses related to the tank repair. A follow-up email was sent on Sept. 4th.

Ram Spring Improvement Project (future construction project)

There are five application packets that must be completed to apply for funding: General, Legal, Financial, Technical and Environmental.

The General application packet with all attachments was submitted on April 25th

The Financial application packet with all attachments was submitted on May 5th.

The Technical Packet is on hold while the TMF and a new rate analysis are done. Kip is working on certain sections of the packet in the meantime.

The Environmental packet is hung-up along with the environmental reports that are not completed for the planning project.

Technical, Managerial and Financial Analysis (TMF)

Details on the areas of improvement since the 2015 TMF were requested at the last ACWD board meeting:

Areas of improvement: Financial audits being done annually, USDA loan paid off, website launched and active, water testing schedule caught up, new water tank in service, new fire hydrant at tank site, Ram Spring water reclassified as ground-water (no treatment plant required etc), President & GM positions separated, Policies & Procedures including accounting controls, customer service etc. now in place, contingency fund policy established and the fund is growing, all meters are being read monthly resulting in the ability to better track water produced vs water sold, spring flow is being monitored more closely, SCADA system installed, emergency response plan under development, State & Federal employment law now being followed, budget process in compliance with enabling legislation and state law, rate structure in compliance with Prop 218.

Areas that still need improvement: emergency response plan needs to be completed, water source redundancy (we still lack it), non-revenue water production needs to be analyzed further and reduced as much

redundancy (we still lack it), non-revenue water production needs to be analyzed further and reduced as much as possible, replace 3 small fire hydrants on spurs off of main line, several "temporary" repairs over the last few years should be beefed up to permanent standards, no adequate funding source for long-term equipment replacement. (all of the tasks in the future construction project could be added to this list as well)

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NOTE: This is "off-the-cuff" from the GM and is not a complete list. We will see what RCAC comes up with in the new TMF. We have not had time to fill all the related information requests but should have everything to them by the end of September if all goes as planned.

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