

SDIC Monthly Managers Report

4/13/2023

Infrastructure:

- Evans Pump #1 repairs are complete. The final step of trim balancing was done on March 30th.
- While trim balancing the Evans #1 I had them tune up the Evans #2.
- The second phase of safety upgrades to the Evans intake screens is complete. This involved the removal of the four original non-user friendly grate caps and replaced with caps that have a smooth transition design.
- The rigid metal frame for the Johnson Pump #2 was fabricated and installed.

Operations:

- As noted last month, we had a USACE "site visit" (formerly a routine inspection) on March 7, 2023. There has been follow up dialogue regarding the visual inspection of our thru levee culverts and pump discharge lines. From what I have been able to find, in the last five years all pump discharge lines have been video inspected along with the south tide gates. This leaves the North tide gates and the sub-levee sluice gates that still need to be visually inspected. This will become a top priority for this year as these are a rated item for the formal inspections.
- Evans pumps are set to auto float 3.7'-4.4'
- Cherry-North-Johnson-Smith-Sternberg-Hovan-Kessi-Honeyman pumps are set to 1.5'-2.0'

Infrastructure & Operations-Looking Ahead / Action Items:

- Contact Energy Smart Industrial for possible incentive rebates for the Evans #1 repairs.
- Start budgeting for projects for the 2023/24 fiscal year
- Most mechanized field operations have been paused for the winter season, but non mechanized removal of small trees along the perimeter levee will continue.
- Clean-up of hazards found during levee mowing operations, mainly old fence, logs, rocks and car tires.
- Follow up inspection of the Rip Rap by boat or walking now that the vegetation has receded.
- Toe Drain explorations at the Cherry Pump and Olsen Farm.

Personnel:

- The draft employee handbook has been edited and sent to legal for review.

408's:

- I have not received any updates as to the progress of the Cadman/Ellis 408 process.

Accreditation / Lomar:

- We received word that the City of Scappoose has completed a draft for their expanded Interior Drainage Analysis through WEST Consultants. The City has invited the SDIC to a meeting in late April for a presentation of the new mapping.

Best Practices:

- Strategic Planning and SWOT analysis is progressing. The SDIC completed a second phase special meeting/work session on March 29, 2023, during this meeting the draft priorities were more refined with the hope for adoption at the April 13 monthly board meeting.
- Myself, Rob and Karen were able to attend the Scappoose annual town meeting. It was a very informational presentation and it was nice to visit with several of the city and county staff. One thing that stood out to me was mayor Backus explain how he had the opportunity to visit and tour several local agencies and I thought it would be a good idea to invite him and maybe some of their staff for a tour of the SDIC.

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Scappoose Storm Water Master Plan:

-City staff indicated to the SDIC that it had received its draft of the storm water master plan from their consultants in late December 2022, they completed some internal follow up questions and had an initial review during a March 6 public work session. The full draft has not been made available to the public.

Rental Home:

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Legal:

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Mercury/Temperature TMDL:

-The SDIC Willamette Basin Mercury TMDL plan was submitted, and receipt acknowledged on Sept 2, 2022. On 10/11/2022 we received some follow up questions to our plan before it can be deemed complete, but we were also given a 6-month extension from DEQ. I am in the process of responding to the follow up questions.

-On January 5, 2023 we were notified by the Oregon DEQ that thru litigation they are to review and rewrite the Water Quality Management Plan that includes the Willamette Basin Temperature TMDL's that were completed several years ago. During this review process it could be possible that water conveyance entities (SDIC), not previously named, could be named as a Designated Management Agency (DMA) and must develop a plan similar to the Mercury TMDL. At this time with the current language in the draft Water Quality Management plan the SDIC and other water conveyance entities are being named as a responsible person, but do not need to develop a TMDL at this time.

GM Action Items:

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