

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
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A. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to update the Board of Directors and the public on work performed by TWSD staff and volunteers.

B. Progress Summary: Accomplishments

Accomplishments in this reporting period include:

- A commitment from New Mexico Homeland Security to reimburse TWSD \$109,000 +/- for FEMA 2006 flood work.
- The reimbursement of \$80,000 for water system grant work.
- It has now been almost ten (10) months since the last community wide water outage.

C. Professional Activities:

Water

- Water leaks continue to be monitored and fixed, with priorities based on severity.
- Water meter installations have been caught up to date.
- TWSD water staff continues to mark water valves as they find them, and plans are in place to put a new Pressure Reducing Valve on Main Street to regulate water pressure in the main business sector of town.
- The water treatment plant rolling door and inside has been modified to accept the new spring water filter that is on its way, and expected to arrive October 26-28th.

Recreation

- The golf pro shop has been closed, and the carts are being stored for the winter.
- The fishing lakes continue to hold healthy populations of trout, and the water temperature are just about right for some good late fall fishing .
- TWSD has applied and mixed the Betonite in the soil at the bottom of the trout lake immediately behind the lodge. During the process, we found a sizeable patch of ground in which Betonite had not been previously applied. A healthy dose of the substance was mixed into the bare spot, along with red clay. We expect to start filling the lake within the next couple of weeks to see if the patch job holds.
- The swimming pool re-surfacing project is waiting for New Mexico Environmental Department clearance for final surfacing work and testing of the pool filtration system. There is some concern about the weather and temperatures impacting final work on the pool. The new skimmers are

installed.

Roads

- General maintenance of TWSD roads continues as work orders are received, but may cease for the time being unless additional revenue sources are found.
- TWSD has requested that Otero County extend its maintenance of Pounds Road to the top end, instead of stopping in the middle.

Solid Waste

- TWSD is preparing plans to use existing fencing materials to help separate construction waste, household appliance, and domestic trash.

Administration

- TWSD has prepared an emergency funding request to address critical operational needs. If funds are not acquired, TWSD will have to notify the union and employees of reductions in hours, short term layoffs, or dismissal due to a shortage of available funds. Prior to any action affecting union employees, union representatives will be contacted.
- The office will continue to be closed to the public on Fridays. If you need to make a payment on Fridays, please drop them in the payment slot.
- Corrections have been made to the Worker's Compensation insurance information to reflect changes in the number and classification of employees. These corrections will show three (3) office staff (including the general manager) and four (4) field staff. Corrections to budget forecast sheets have been made to reflect an increase in charges.