

MANAGER'S REPORT

August 15, 2018

The Hat Fire broke out late last week, which taxed our water system greatly. When we lost electricity at the well, the standby engine was placed in service, which did a good job of picking up the demand. However, it was having difficulty cooling sufficiently and eventually developed a coolant leak that required it to be shut down. Staff contacted the state Division of Drinking Water, who immediately provided a portable generator for our use. I really enjoy the help we get from our regulators. They stepped in at a crucial time on our behalf and kept a bad situation from deteriorating into a disaster. The wastewater system performed as expected, with the standby generator starting automatically and powering the Bridge Street and Napa lift stations without a hitch. The lift station at the hospital does not have emergency standby power, but staff was able to obtain the services of a pumper truck to stand by and pump as needed. All of this happened while I was away on vacation in Montana. I stayed in contact, but was confident that our staff was handling the situation well. The ratepayers of this district enjoy the services of an outstanding and dedicated workforce!

The community park property transfer is still experiencing delay. Shasta County has yet to provide the Certificate of Compliance with the Subdivision Map Act.

Total cash and equivalents at the end of July are \$163,694, up about \$15,000 from last month. Budget vs. actual for the first month of the fiscal year are encouraging, with actual revenue about \$4,100 above budget and expenses roughly \$9,700 under budget. So, the forecasting isn't spot-on, but it is at least erring in the right direction. Accounts payable, less grant reimbursable items, are about \$19,600, which is in line with all the activity directed at improving our water system. I suspect the financial results for August will be very unusual due to the expenses related to the Hat Fire. We are investigating the possibility of receiving reimbursement for some of those expenses.

Water loss figures for July are not available at this time, but will be reported when they become available.

Operations Log
Larry Fowler
August 2018

- Coliform samples for August were clear of any bacteria.
- We are making very good progress on Long Street. Currently, we have four remaining services to connect, and the fire hydrant to relocate at the end of the road.
- During the fire and power outage I had encountered a few minor problems that I have now resolved with minor changes and repairs. I was able to keep water flowing throughout our system and never let our pressure fall low enough to require a mandatory water sample before bringing the system back online for water.