## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BACA GRANDE WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT

#### December 15, 2021-9:00 AM

District Office – 57 Baca Grant Way South Crestone, Colorado 81131 Meeting held via Zoom

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Directors in Attendance: Also in Attendance:

John Loll Marcus Lock, District Legal Counsel
Dale Halley Cathy Fromm, District Accountant
Mike Smith JoAnn Slivka, District Manager

William Peck Gary Potter, District Director of Operations

Vivia Lawson

Community Members:

Parke Hess Leroy West

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Loll opened the meeting at 9:00AM.

#### DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Attorney Lock has discussed with the Board the requirements pursuant to Colorado law to disclose any potential conflicts of interest or potential breaches of fiduciary duty to the Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District Board of Directors and to the Secretary of State. It was noted that a quorum was present and members of the Board were requested to disclose any potential conflicts of interest with regard to any matters scheduled for discussion at this meeting. No new disclosures were made.

#### **AGENDA**

MOTION APPROVED: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR HALLEY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR SMITH AND UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED THE AGENDA.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The board considered the following consent agenda items:

Approve Minutes from the November 17, 2021 Regular Meeting

MOTION: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR HALLEY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR LAWSON AND UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA ONLY. NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN).

The district is subject to the Colorado Open Meetings Law, which states that no Board discussion or action will take place until a later date, if necessary. Please limit your comments to three minutes or less.

None

#### BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

The board reviewed and discussed the reports incorporated herein by this reference.

#### **Board Matters**

The Board discussed the Renewable Water Resources proposal to Douglas County to export San Luis Valley water. It was agreed to pay attention to this issue.

The Board discussed lot consolidations and the impact of de-consolidations should they be allowed.

#### **District Manager Report**

The Board discussed holiday hours and bonuses for staff.

MOTION: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR LAWSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR HALLEY, AND, UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED HOLIDAY BONUSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200 AND TWO EXTRA DAYS OFF FOR STAFF; DECEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> AND DECEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>.

#### **Director of Utilities Report**

Supply and demand issues for meter parts have significantly impacted the District; the new 2022 fees will include parts and labor at \$2500.

#### FINANCIAL MATTERS

<u>Check Register:</u> The board considered approval of the check register through the period ending December 15, 2021 as follows:

General	\$ 5,508.55
Capital Projects	\$ 140,121.25
Enterprise	\$ 42,102.52
	\$ 187,732.32

MOTION: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR LAWSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR PECK, AND, UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED THE CHECK REGISTER FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 15, 2021.

#### Financial Statements:

We received the Final Certification of Value; it came in a little bit higher than the preliminary AV. As required, the District mill levy and final AV of \$14,667,703 was certified to Saguache County on Monday, December 13, 2021.

Ms. Fromm reviewed the financial statements with the board of directors. Colo Trust is finally going up showing just a little bit of interest. We have not done a transfer from the general fund to the enterprise fund to date this year. AOS fees did not make the budgeted amount. We have paid 100% of our debt payments for our bonds and loans for 2021.

#### **CAPITAL PROJECTS:**

#### S. Crestone Tank Rehabilitation Project

Approval of payment to Viking Industrial Painting in the amount of \$140,053.75

MOTION: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR HALLEY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR LAWSON, AND, UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED PAYMENT FOR VIKING INDUSTRIAL PAINTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$140,053.75 UPON 1. FINAL TESTING HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND HAS PASSED AND 2. THE TANK CAN BE PLACED BACK IN SERVICE.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS:**

Resolution No. 2021-12-01 Seventh Amended and Restated Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of The Baca Grande Water And Sanitation District Concerning The Imposition Of Various Fees, Rates, Penalties And Charges For Water And Sanitary Sewer Services And Facilities

MOTION: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE DIRECTOR HALLEY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR LAWSON AND, UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 2021-12-01 SEVENTH AMENDED AND RESTATED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BACA GRANDE WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF VARIOUS FEES, RATES, PENALTIES AND CHARGES FOR WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SERVICES AND FACILITIES A COPY OF THE RESOLUTION IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCLUDED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE.

#### Resolution No. 2021-12-02 Resolution of the Board of Directors Regarding Election

MOTION: FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, UPON MOTION DULY MADE DIRECTOR LAWSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR PECK AND, UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 2021-12-02 A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE 2022 REGULAR DISTRICT ELECTION; DETERMINING THAT THE ELECTION IS TO BE CONDUCTED AS A MAIL BALLOT ELECTION; AND NAMING JUDY EGBERT, A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL, AND AUTHORIZING SPECIFIC AUTHORITY TO THAT OFFICIAL.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: PURSUANT TO C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (A), (B), AMD (E), UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR PECK, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR HALLEY AND, UPON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS OF THE QUORUM PRESENT, THE BOARD CONVENED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:25 A.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL MATTERS, REGARDING MANAGEMENT POSITIONS. PURSUANT TO C.R.S. § 24-6-402(2) (D.S.), (II), (B), NO RECORD WILL BE KEPT OF THE PORTION OF THIS EXECUTIVE SESSION THAT, IN THE OPINION OF THE BOARD'S ATTORNEY, CONSTITUTES PRIVILEGED ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(B).

#### The Board reconvened in regular session.

MOTION: UPON MOTION DULY MADE BY DIRECTOR HALLEY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR PECK AND, UPON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS OF THE QUORUM PRESENT, THE BOARD APPROVED TO INCREASE THE BASE SALARY FOR A DISTRICT MANAGER AND DIRECTED THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO WORK WITH THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE STAFF SALARY INCREASES FOR 2022.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

President Loll adjourned the meeting in memory of Justice Gregg Hobbs.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, UPON MOTION DULY MADE DIRECTOR SMITH, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR LOLL AND UPON VOTE, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:00 AM.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR January 19, 2022

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Secretary for the meeting

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS THE OFFICIAL December 15, 2021 MINUTES OF THE BACA GRANDE WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SIGNING BELOW:

John Loll

Dale Halley

Mike Smith

William Peck

Vivia Lawson

#### ATTORNEY STATEMENT

Regarding Privileged Attorney-Client Communication

Pursuant to §24-6-402(2) (d.5) (II)(B), C.R.S., I attest that, in my capacity as the attorney representing the Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District, I attended the executive sessions on December 15, 2021, and it is my opinion that the portion of the executive session that was not recorded constituted attorney-client privileged communications.

Marcus J. Lock

General Counsel

Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District

## Douglas County considering Renewable Water Resources plan to export San Luis Valley water

RWR needs to find a customer to move its proposal forward

By cvlopez | clopez@alamosacitizen.com 12/7/2021

FOR an initial payment of \$20 million Douglas County can become a partner of Renewable Water Resources in its plan to export approximately 20,000 acre-feet of water per year from the San Luis Valley, according to an RWR proposal to the Douglas County Commissioners.

In its proposal to Douglas County, RWR said it currently owns approximately 9,800 acres in the San Luis Valley and has options to purchase an estimated 8,000 additional acres. "The Parties will enter into one or more agreements (the "Contract(s)") governing the adjudication of approximately 22,000 acre feet of water per year (the "Water Rights") in Water Division No. 3 (the "Water Case")," according to the terms of agreement presented to Douglas County.

The proposal establishes terms of value for the water rights that Douglas County would own and how it would get a fixed per annual acre-foot rate below current water market rates that other Front Range communities are paying.

"In consideration for the Initial Payment, the Purchase Price for the water rights will be fixed at \$18,500.00 per annual acre foot. At that Purchase Price, the Water Rights would be substantially below their current market value, especially for trans-basin water that can be used to extinction. Currently, metro districts and other water service providers in the Colorado Front Range are acquiring water rights for more than \$40,000-\$50,000 per acre foot for senior rights. With an early investment in RWR, the County can take a leadership role in securing renewable water rights at a significant discount."

The three Douglas County Commissioners are split on the proposal, based on interviews Alamosa Citizen conducted Tuesday with the county commissioners.

"As a Douglas County Commissioner, any opportunity to bring water into the county I think does bear serious consideration," said Commissioner George Teal.

Douglas County has been seeking community input on how to spend \$68.2 million of federal funding received through the American Rescue Plan Act. Securing additional water rights to meet its growth is one of the priority areas Douglas County has identified for the federal funding.

Douglas County will host a Town Hall on Thursday to hear from residents on how to prioritize spending of the American Rescue Plan Act. The water rights proposal from RWR is one of the proposals expected to be discussed at the meeting.

"I think it's irresponsible for the Front Range to take water from other communities," Douglas County Commissioner Lora Thomas told Alamosa Citizen. "I know that everybody needs water, but we need to do this respectfully and we need to do this with people, not to people."

Thomas has been on the short end of 2-1 county commissioner votes in Douglas County.

Teal and Commissioner Abe Laydon were supportive of RWR presenting their proposal in executive session earlier this year. Thomas was not. Both Teal and Laydon have also appeared in a social media campaign created by RWR backers called "Douglas County Future Fund" that expresses the need for Douglas County to secure more water to meet its growth.



George Teal



Lora Thomas



Abe Laydon

"One thing I can tell you with certainty is that I will not make any decision that impairs the present or future citizens of the San Luis Valley," Laydon said in a statement to Alamosa Citizen.

Later, in a telephone interview, he said he has family in Blanca and plans to come to the San Luis Valley to talk to residents before he decides whether to support the RWR proposal.

"I have not made any decisions and neither has my board," Laydon said.

Renewable Water Resources needs to find a customer like Douglas County to move its proposal forward. The plan relies on drawing water from the Upper Rio Grande Basin and exporting it to the Front Range. Without an identified end user for the exportation and sale of the water, RWR can't file its plan in Colorado Water Court.

If Douglas County moves ahead with RWR, State Sen. Cleave Simpson of Alamosa said RWR would need to acquire the water rights and then file in district water court a change to the water rights decree to go from agricultural use to municipal use. He said land RWR owns doesn't have irrigation well water rights and that RWR would need to buy wells and well permits for its exportation plan.

RWR spokesperson Monica McCafferty couldn't be reached for comment.

"I take it very seriously," said Simpson of the proposal before Douglas County Commissioners. "They need the water without a doubt. Reliance on the Denver Basin Aquifer is problematic. It's going to run out. The pressure mounts on us in the Valley to protect our limited resource."

Simpson has met with the commissioners. He said that Douglas County thinking it can use money from the federal American Rescue Plan Act for the RWR proposal is a twist he didn't see coming.

"I think it's unconscionable to use those federal dollars to diminish one community in support of another community," he said. In addition to representing the San Luis Valley in the Colorado Senate, Simpson is the general manager of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District, which is leading the opposition to the RWR plan.

Teal and Thomas said they expect to take up the RWR proposal in January once they get feedback from residents about the American Rescue Plan money.

"We have created and drafted our proposal to meet all Water Court criteria and are prepared to go through Division 3 Water Court in Alamosa," RWR said in its plan to Douglas County.

Spearheaded by former Colorado Gov. Bill Owens and his former deputy chief of staff Sean Tonner, Renewable Water Resources is pitching its San Luis Valley water exportation proposal as a way for Douglas County to meet its future water needs without continuing to rely on the Denver Aquifer and other water resources that cities in Douglas County secure to meet their growth.

"Right now virtually every drop of water that you're pulling from a tap here in Castle Rock originates from the Colorado River basin and Arkansas River basin," said Teal, seeing a water exportation plan from the San Luis Valley to meet Douglas County's needs in a similar light.

"RWR's project offers Douglas County the opportunity to secure a renewable water supply independent from the Denver Aquifer," according to the proposal. It goes on to say, "Douglas County Commissioners have a long track record of doing the right thing at the right time and our Commissioners today have a unique opportunity to protect the quality of life we currently know in Douglas County by securing a renewable water supply large enough to benefit the entire county. ... Providing all factors that threaten water security from climate change to population growth to a strain on the Denver Aquifer – the RWR project can bring a county-wide solution to a county-wide problem."



To: Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District Board of Directors

From: JoAnn Slivka, District Manager

Date: December 10, 2021

Subject: District Manager Report

#### Statutory and Compliance Schedules

- ✓ December 10- Assessors' changes in assessed valuation will be made only once by a single notification (re-certification) to the county commissioners or other body authorized by law to levy property tax, and to the DLG. (C.R.S. 39-1-111(5)) (enclosure)
- ➤ December 15- Deadline for certification of mill levy to county commissioners (C.R.S 39-5-128(1)) Local governments levying property tax must adopt their budgets before certifying the levy to the county.
- ✓ December 31- On or before January 1 of each year- (C.R.S. 32-1-306) File a current, accurate map of the district boundaries (or letter stating there were no changes) with:
  - the Division of Local Government (DLG);
  - the County Clerk and Recorder; and
  - the County Assessor
- ✓ By January 15- (C.R.S. 32-1-809) Annual Transparency Notices- The annual transparency notice to electors must contain certain information about the district, including, but not limited to:
  - Board member names and contact information;
  - Name of Board Chair or President;
  - Name of each Board member whose office will be on the ballot at the next regular special district election;
  - Date of next Board election and procedures for self-nomination;
  - Mill levy and total property tax revenues;
  - Board meeting information;
  - and district contact information.

The annual "transparency" notice is also filed with:

- the DLG;
- the Board of County Commissioners;
- the County Assessor;
- the County Treasurer;
- the County Clerk and Recorder; and
- the governing body of any municipality in which the district is located (enclosure)

#### Agenda Items

#### IV.S.i. Douglas County considering Renewable Water Resources plan to export San Luis Valley water.

I attended (by phone) a portion of the meeting where Douglas County heard various proposals at a Town Hall meeting Thursday, December 9. Douglas County will receive \$68.2 million from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Renewable Water Resources (RWR) has submitted a proposal to Douglas County requesting \$20 million of these funds to advance its plan to export agricultural water from the San Luis Valley. A copy of a recent article from Alamosa Citizen is included in your packet for discussion.

#### V.A. Water-Sewer Hook-up Application and inventory update.

I recommend honoring the 2021 applications received; then implementing the updated resolution and new fees for the new year.

#### VII. <u>Capital Projects</u> – South Crestone Tank Project:

Viking Industrial Painting Approval for Payment: Viking has submitted their first pay application in the amount of \$140,053.75 this application requests 100% payment for all line items. Retainage is still held back (5%) in the amount of \$7,371.25. I recommend approval of this pay application upon 1. Final testing has been completed and has passed and 2. The tank can be placed back in service. This should be accomplished on December 15, 2021. The district will then need to provide initial acceptance which will

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start the warrantee period. Typically, initial acceptance is voted on by the board after the final inspection is completed. We will then advertise for final payment. After 30-days we will then release the retainage to Viking.

#### X.B. Holiday Hours

- District office will be closed for the holidays on Friday, December 24 and Friday, December 31.
  - O I would like to request awarding a small bonus to staff as well as providing two extra days of paid time off in appreciation for their hard work and commitment to the District throughout the year. I recommend closing the office on Thursday, December 23 and Thursday, December 30.

#### Follow-ups from November Meeting:

- Saguache County Lots
  - O A template letter has been created along with a section to include the history of fees. We sent a letter to Ms. Ramadei along with a breakdown of the fees. She has paid her account in full.

#### Town of Crestone:

- We met Ms. Klusmire and Mr. Kenyon; Town representatives along with Nick Marcotte, the District's engineer to discuss possible collaboration on a joint master plan. A meeting will be scheduled after the New Year's holiday for further discussion.
- We also have to schedule a follow up meeting regarding the IGA; the town representatives are ready to discuss negotiations.

#### New and Other Business:

- I met with Commissioner Tom McCracken and Kyle Denardo from Viaero about communication sites in the area. They were visiting potential sites in our area and stopped in to discuss the possibility of collaborating on the project. They will be back in touch sometime in January if there is any interest.
- 2022 Special District Election: The District will have three seats up for the board of directors next year. Judy Egbert,
  Consultant/Owner at GovPro Consulting, LLC will be submitting a proposal for her services for our consideration to assist
  with the 2022 Election. Ms. Egbert assisted the District with the 2020 election.
- Bennet Staff Listens to Saguache County, Invites Residents to Schedule Telephone Office Hours

  Senator Bennett has taken an interest in Saguache County and announced that his regional staff will be holding telephone office hours for Saguache County residents from December 6 to December 10. President Loll and I took advantage of this invitation from Senator Bennet's office to speak with his staff about our water rights situation. We spoke with Erin Minks, Regional Representative for the San Luis Valley. She listened with interest, then clarified what she and Mr. Bennet's office could do for us. They can facilitate, be sure we are being treated fairly and that there is transparency on both sides; she also requested we send more info so that she could better understand.

#### In Memory of Greg Hobbs

Here, I wanted to acknowledge the passing of Mr. Greg Hobbs. On December 2, 2021, the Colorado water community lost a legend with the passing of Justice Greg Hobbs. "For both the legal and water communities, and really all whose paths crossed his, the loss is heartbreaking." I had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Hobbs as a storyteller as well as through the Water Education Colorado network, an organization he helped create in 2002 and of which I am a participating member. Mr. Hobbs was an accomplished speaker, teacher, writer and historian who will be sorely missed. Please read the tribute from the Water Education Colorado.

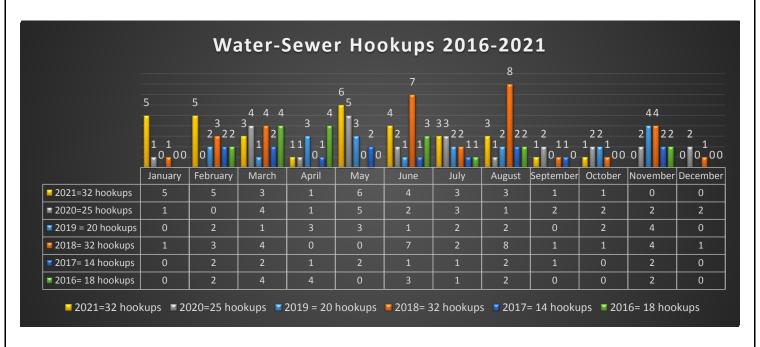
### November 2021 Administrative Report

UTILITY BILLING ACTIVITY				
Xpress Bill Pay Stats				
Transaction Type	Quantity			
EFT Web Transactions	203			
Credit/Debit Card Web Transactions	309			
Online Banking – Bank Bill Pay	29			
Lock Box Service Transactions	181			
Cus	stomer Utility Billing			
Billing Category	<b>Number of Accts</b>	Amount Billed		
Late Fees	43	\$ 645.00		
Usage Customers Billed - Water	796	\$40,906.34		
Usage Customers Billed - Sewer	774	\$32,872.17		
Transfer Fees	14	\$3500.00		
	<b>Town of Crestone Sewer</b>			
Month	Total Monthly Flow (gallons)	<b>Amount Billed</b>		
January	556,675	\$2,928.11		
February	484,933	\$2,550.75		
March	543,863	\$2,860.72		
April	589,464	\$3,100.58		
May	878,928	\$4,623.16		
June	927,936	\$4,880.94		
July	918,065	\$4,829.02		
August	846,533	\$4,452.76		
September	837,086	\$4,403.07		
October	526,240	\$2,768.02		
November	492,201	\$2,589.02		
December	•	•		
Totals	7,601,924	\$39,986.15		

## November Property Sales = 6 - Homes 5 - Lots

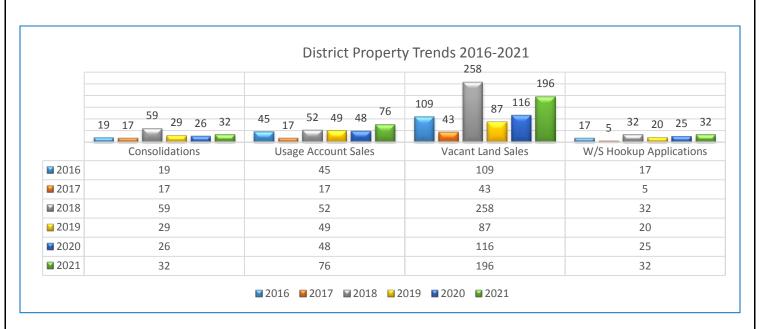


## 2021 WATER-SEWER HOOKUP APPLICATIONS 0 - Application(s) received in November



## 2021 Consolidation Requests: November - 0 New applications received

#### 2021 PROPERTY TRENDS



#### **Mourning the Loss of Greg Hobbs**

The Colorado water community lost a legend yesterday with the passing of Justice Greg Hobbs. Greg, who would have turned 77 on Dec. 15, passed away peacefully with his family

- wife Bobbie, son Dan and daughter Emily - by his side after suffering a pulmonary embolism.

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For both the legal and water communities, and really all whose paths crossed his, the loss is heartbreaking. We not only lost one of our most knowledgeable legal minds, but also lost one of our most able and accomplished speakers, teachers, writers and historians. Those who knew Greg understand.

Greg, who first began practicing law in Colorado in 1973, retired as a Colorado Supreme Court Justice in 2015 and continued to share his water expertise and speaking and writing eloquence in a variety of ways.

He was the longstanding Vice-President of Water Education Colorado, an organization he helped create in 2002 and for which he was a tireless advocate and ambassador. For the past 19 years, he served as WEco's Publications Chair, where he oversaw the publication of its well-known Headwaters magazine and Citizen's Guide series. He was known to greet each new publication with a celebratory, "This is our best issue yet," and was always championing the publications' distribution, even toting boxes around in his trunk so that they were always at the ready. He was also a frequent presenter in WEco programs, mentored numerous individuals through the Water Leaders Program, and provided sound guidance in the organization's strategic growth and evolution over the years to ensure it stayed true to its nonpartisan mission.

In recent years Greg served as a senior water judge working as a mediator for water rights cases and continued to mentor current and future water lawyers with his knowledge of the legal nuances of Colorado's water rights system. He taught a water court practice seminar and continued to write and speak about all matters water.

Greg wrote extensively, whether about the legal intricacies of water or his beloved poetry. He authored a number of books, the most recent of which was published in 2020 entitled *Confluence: The Story of Greeley Water*, which he co-authored with Michael Welsh.

During his nearly two decades on the bench, he authored more than 250 majority opinions, many of which dealt with water law. He was an exceptional jurist, principled and deliberate, noting that every word in every opinion mattered. As a perfect reflection of his generous spirit, he hired nearly 60 law clerks over his time on the bench, and ensured that they all knew each other, supported each other professionally, and treated each other like family. He always talked about how proud he was of his clerks and where they are now, many of whom, like him chose careers as public servants.

Greg's early legal career included stops with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, where he worked for two years beginning in 1973, followed by nearly four years with the Colorado Attorney General's Office in the Natural Resources Section, where he became a leader in environmental law specializing in air and water quality issues.

In 1979, he became a partner with Davis, Graham and Stubbs and soon after the principal counsel for the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District, where he became well-known for his advocacy and protection of Northern Water's water rights. In 1992, he helped form the law firm of Hobbs, Trout and Raley with two other well-known water lawyers – Bob Trout and Bennett Raley.

In 1996, Gov. Roy Romer appointed him to the Colorado Supreme Court where he took his water knowledge to an even higher level. Greg was a staunch supporter of Colorado's system of water rights and wrote extensively and spoke often of his support for the unique water law system that has evolved since the state was created in 1876. He had a studied and nuanced approach to the prior appropriation system and defended it against those who felt it no longer suited Colorado.

Greg did his undergraduate studies at the University of Notre Dame. After Notre Dame, he attended Columbia University to study Latin American history. Following their 1967 wedding, Greg and Bobbie joined the Peace Corps, moving to Colombia. The couple returned in 1968 and had Dan. Emily followed in 1971.

Greg spent his early years of family life in law school at Berkeley Law, completing his degree in 1971. He then clerked for Judge William Edward Doyle of the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver, a critical part of his career and his interest in the bench. In 1973, the Hobbs family returned to Denver and made it their home for good.

There will be a celebration of Greg's life at a later, more COVID-safe time. The family asks that in lieu of flowers donations be made to Water Education Colorado. You can donate in Greg's memory online at <a href="wateredco.org/greg-hobbs-memoriam"><u>wateredco.org/greg-hobbs-memoriam</u></a>.

Or, mail a check with your donation to:
Water Education Colorado
1600 N Downing St., Suite 200
Denver, CO 80218
Please include Greg's name in the check memo line.

Brian Werner, Amy Beatie and Jayla Poppleton, on behalf of the Hobbs Family

# Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District Monthly Operations Report

December 15th, 2021

## **Operations Updates**

#### Gravel Request from KTTG

- Just received cost for trucking
- Total for material and hauling is \$1,984
- I will try to get this ordered by the end of the week

#### Water and Sewer Mainline Extensions

- Lover's Way sewer line extension held up by parts.
- Arrowhead Overlook Line extension has been postponed until next year.
- Hillcrest Overlook has had no action.

#### South Crestone Tank Project

- Painting is complete
- Engineer is doing his final inspection today
- I hope to have the tank disinfected and back in service by Friday

#### Meter Pit Issues

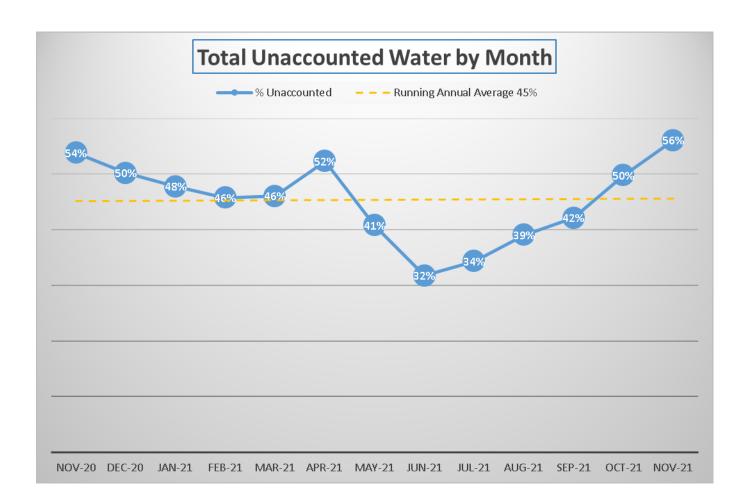
- Active Applications list revised to 11 active application
- 10 Pit that have been on order since April are enough for these customers
- 20 more pits have been ordered with an estimated lead time of 25 weeks
- o Recommendations

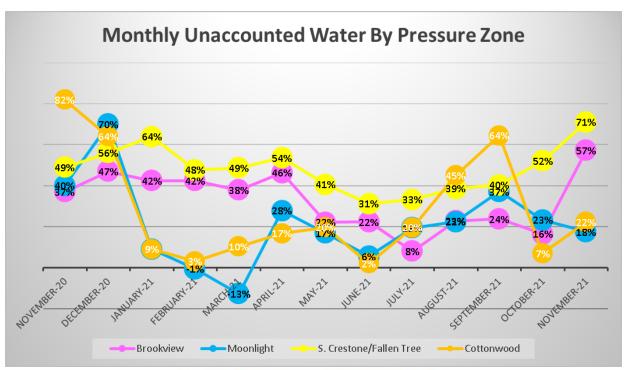
#### Unaccounted Water

- Wells 17 and 18 produced 4,736,472 gallons of water in the month of November.
- The District sold its customers 2,080,000 gallons of water in the month of November, Leaving 2,656,472 gallons unaccounted for.
- 56% of the water produced is unaccounted for in the month of November.
- Major leak identified and repaired at the Aspen Treatment Plant headworks building.
- Major leak Identified and repaired in the Brookview Pressure Zone.

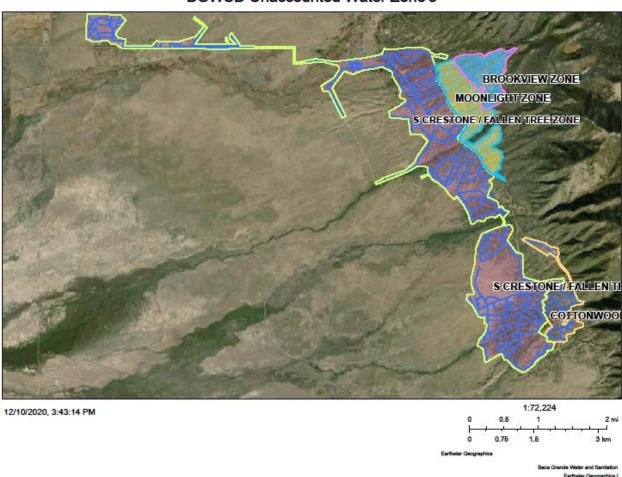
#### Aspen WWTP and Town of Crestone Loading

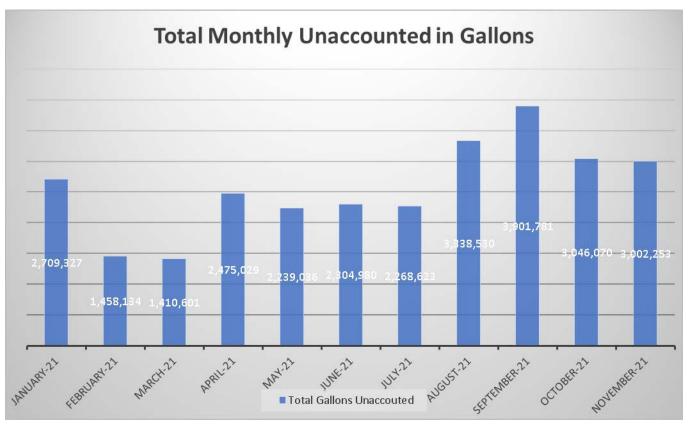
- Aspen WWTP averaged 61% of hydraulic loading capacity in the month of November, the Town of Crestone contributed and average of 19% of the treatment plants hydraulic load.
- Aspen WWTP averaged 61% of organic loading capacity in the month of November. The Town of Crestone contributed an average of 55% of the treatment plants organic load.

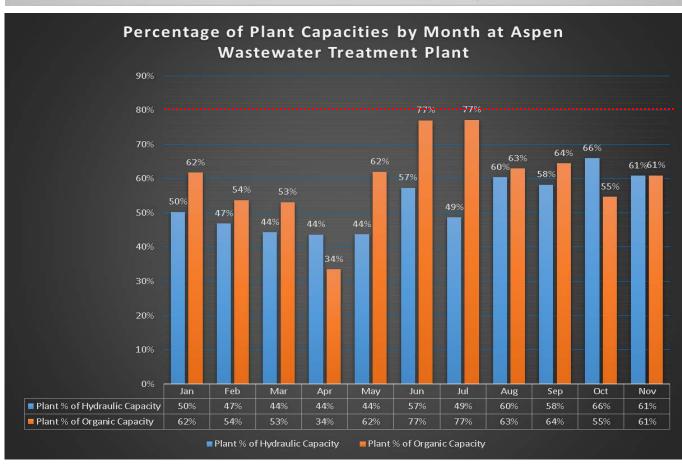


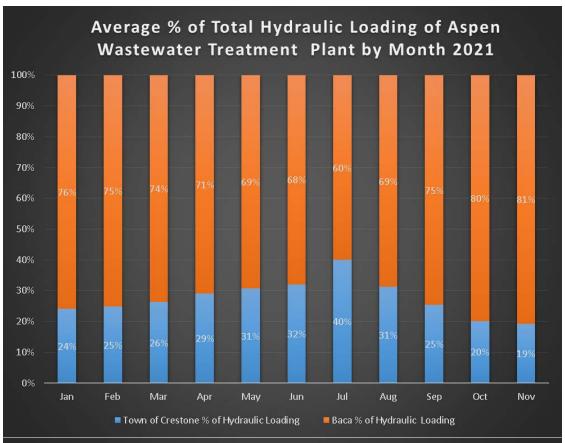


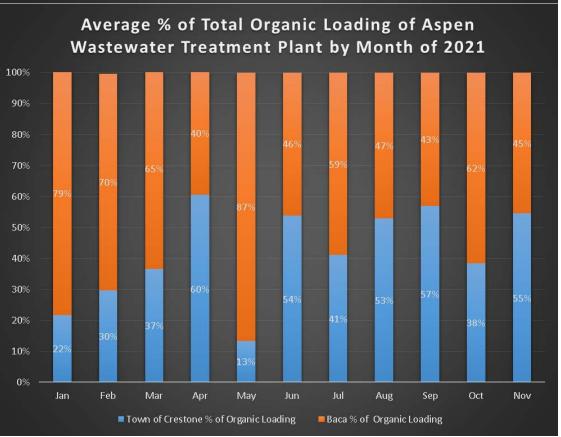
**BGWSD Unaccounted Water Zone's** 

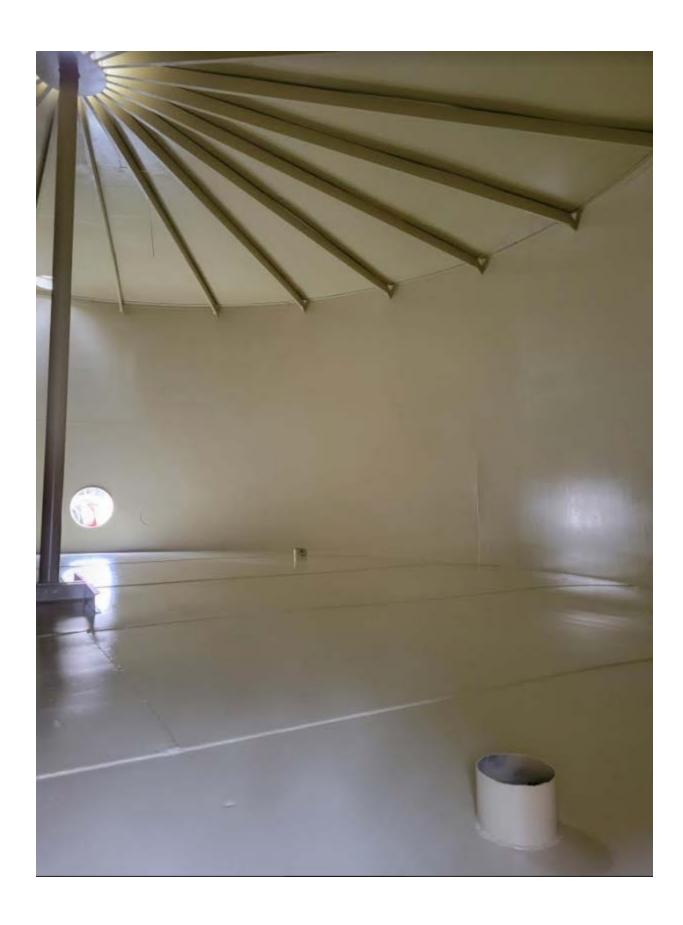












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12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11		•	85.00
			4-500500	Training and Education	
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-503019	Repair & Maint-Aspen TP	7.74
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-503019	Repair & Maint-Aspen TP	8.34
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-500408	Computer Support	59.97
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-500408	Computer Support	14.00
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-503002	Repairs & Maint-Sewer(Gravity)	329.44
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-500401	Postage	23.13
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-500401	Postage	32.78
12/15/2021	FirstBank	FB-21-11	4-505027	Office / Cell Phones	371.94
Total 9	2310:				1,172.89
<b>92311</b> 12/15/2021	Freedom Mailing Services, INC	41860	4-500460	Utility Billing	396.09
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Total 9	2311:				396.09
92312					
12/15/2021	Fromm & Company LLC	2021-11	1-506045	Accounting	3,375.00
Total 9	2312:				3,375.00
92313					
12/15/2021 12/15/2021	Front Range Win Water Works Co Front Range Win Water Works Co	07250100 07253100	4-503001 4-503008	Repairs & Maint-Water Mains Repairs & Maint-Well No. 18	793.72 212.43
Total 9	2313:				1,006.15
92314					
12/15/2021	Grand Junction Pipe/Ferguson W	1282406	4-503331	Retail Water Meter Parts	1,674.86
12/15/2021	Grand Junction Pipe/Ferguson W	1282406-1	4-503331	Retail Water Meter Parts	106.15
12/15/2021	Grand Junction Pipe/Ferguson W	1283211	4-503028	Repair-Meters	100.14
Total 9	2314:				1,881.15
<b>92315</b> 12/15/2021	John Deere Financial	A62138	4-503002	Repairs & Maint-Sewer(Gravity)	1,483.98
Total 9	2315:				1,483.98
92316					
12/15/2021	Law of the Rockies	LOR-21-11	1-506030	Logal	2,133.55
	Law of the Rockies	LOR-21-11		Water Rights Acquisition	2, 133.33 67.50
12/13/2021	Law of the Nockies	LOIN-ZI-II	3-317130	Water Hights Acquisition	
Total 9	2316:				2,201.05
92317	Danasia Dana	044440 555	4 500005	Density 0 Majort Off	100.00
12/15/2021 12/15/2021	Peregrino, Dora Peregrino, Dora	211116-PER 211203-PER	4-503025 4-503025	Repair & Maint-Office Repair & Maint-Office	100.00 100.00
Total 9				•	200.00
92318					
12/15/2021	Pinnacol Assurance	20701329	4-530600	Worker's Compensation Insur	911.00

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Total 9	2319:				243.26
<b>92320</b> 12/15/2021	Sand Pit Metal Work, LLC	SP-21-11	4-503029	Repair & Maint-Golf/Motel	270.00
Total 9	2320:				270.00
<b>92321</b> 12/15/2021	Sangre De Cristo Lab, Inc.	23467	4-500250	Testing	150.00
Total 9	2321:				150.00
<b>92322</b> 12/15/2021	Sherwin-Williams	6018-9	4-503019	Repair & Maint-Aspen TP	50.37
Total 9	2322:				50.37
<b>92323</b> 12/15/2021	Southern Colorado Surveying Sv	210609-2107	4-506020	Professional Fees	2,300.00
Total 9	2323:				2,300.00
<b>92324</b> 12/15/2021	Terres Daniel	DT-21-17	4-120070	Accounts Receivable	750.00
Total 9	2324:				750.00
<b>92325</b> 12/15/2021	UNCC	221110115	4-500530	Locates	21.12
Total 9	2325:				21.12
<b>92326</b> 12/15/2021	Univar Solutions	49623186	4-503310	Waste Water Treat. Chem.	6,904.00
Total 9	2326:				6,904.00
<b>92327</b> 12/15/2021	US Fish and Wildlife Service	USFW-21-12	4-500100	Raw Water USFSWS	3,908.32
Total 9	2327:				3,908.32
92328 12/15/2021 12/15/2021 12/15/2021 12/15/2021 12/15/2021	USA BlueBook USA BlueBook USA BlueBook USA BlueBook USA BlueBook	790225 790225 815350 815350 815350	4-503001 4-503032	Repair & Maint-Aspen TP	153.65 483.79 187.90 77.85 106.84
Total 9	02328:				1,010.03

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<b>92329</b> 12/15/2021	Viking Painting, LLC	VP-21-11-10	3-517086	S Crestone Tank Rehab	140,053.75
Total 9	22329:				140,053.75
92330					
12/15/2021	Wagners Truck and Tire	64-1046		Vehicle-Repairs and Maint	2,872.91
12/15/2021	Wagners Truck and Tire	64-1048	4-500662	Vehicle-Repairs and Maint	2,813.19
Total 9	2330:				5,686.10
92331					
12/15/2021	Waste Management Monte Vista	1159196-252	4-505029	Trash and Recycling Services	102.78
12/15/2021	Waste Management Monte Vista	1159539-252	4-505029	Trash and Recycling Services	69.29
Total 9	2331:				172.07
92332					
12/15/2021	World Fuel Service, Inc. Land	1861719415	4-500663	Diesel Fuel	1,016.10
12/15/2021	World Fuel Service, Inc. Land	1861719415	4-500661	Gas and Oil	1,098.67
12/15/2021	World Fuel Service, Inc. Land	1882039-415	4-500661	Gas and Oil	554.55
12/15/2021	World Fuel Service, Inc. Land	1882039-415	4-500663	Diesel Fuel	400.53
Total 9	02332:				3,069.85
92333					
12/15/2021	WSB Computer Services, Inc.	81885	4-500408	Computer Support	143.75
Total 9	02333:				143.75
92334					
12/15/2021	Xerox Corp.	015083239	4-500402	Copier Lease and Equipment	81.76
Total 9	02334:				81.76
Grand	Totals:				187,732.32

## San Luis Valley Regional COVID-19 Data

#### As of 9am on 12/13/2021, the SLV has 120 known active cases.

"Active" means that the cases are confirmed positive for COVID-19 and are currently being supported by Public Health during their isolation period.

	Active Cases	Cases in the past 7	One Week Incidence	
		days, as measured	Rate (Per 100,000)	
		by the State		
Alamosa	71	47	287.83	
Conejos	14	20	268.85	
Costilla	2	2	57.37	
Mineral	1	2	0	
Rio Grande	26	14	121.16	
Saguache	6	15	233.86	

Current Active cases do not include all of the recorded cases in the past 7 days. Some cases during this time period have finished isolation but are still included in our state numbers for both incidence and positivity.

One-week positivity rate: 5.79%

The goal is for this to stay under 5%. To stay under 5%, individuals with symptoms need to pursue testing.

Hospitalizations: In the two weeks ending 12/11/2021, there were **16** new hospitalizations for COVID-19 in the SLV.