

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 18, 2018
To: Board of Directors
From: Mark Martin, General Manager
Subject: General Manager's Report

2018 DISTRICT ELECTIONS

The Rancho Murieta Community Services District (District) Elections were certified as of November 30, 2018 with newly elected Directors Linda Butler, Randy Jenco and Tim Maybee to be seated at the December 19, 2018 Board meeting.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS/DEVELOPMENT

An employee recognition lunch was held for all employees at the Rancho Murieta Country Club (RMCC) on Thursday, December 13, 2018. At the lunch, we recognized District Secretary Suzanne Lindenfeld and Patrol Officer Tom Coyle each with fifteen (15) years of service, and Sergeant Rick Tompkins for ten (10) years of service.

On November 21, 2018, we announced the appointment of Tom Hennig as Director of Administration. Tom's first working day with the District was November 26, 2018.

Interviews for a new front counter Office Assistant were held November 27-28, 2018 to allow the new Director of Administration to participate in the interviews. We have made a selection and expect the new Office Assistant to start the first week of January 2019.

SECURITY – SECURITY TOWN HALL MEETING FOLLOW-UP

The Security Town Hall was held October 24, 2018 at the Rancho Murieta Association (RMA) community building. All members of the community and community stakeholder groups were invited to attend. The discussion was led by members of the District and RMA boards. The meeting featured a rotation of attendees through a series of poster boards on various topics. At the end of the session, attendees reconvened to review the feedback provided at each station. Opportunity for follow-up comments was offered through November 7, 2018. The District received only four (4) follow-up comments as of the November 7, 2018 deadline. RMA compiled the initial comments and forwarded them to the District for addition of the new comments. Chief Werblun organized the final comments by area of responsibility (RMA versus non-RMA). District staff are meeting with RMA staff on December 27, 2018 to review and discuss responses to the comments received and timing of the next Joint Security Committee meeting. Responses to comments and discussion points are to be brought forward as part of a Joint Security Committee meeting expected to be held in early 2019.

OUTREACH/ADVOCACY

November 20, 2018: Water Forum. Participated in an introductory meeting with Tom Gohring, the Executive Director of the Water Forum, to better understand the role of the organization and how its efforts can benefit the District.

December 7, 2018: WateReuse Norcal Symposium. A good session on recycled water use in Singapore. To improve acceptance for potable reuse of water, terminology such as purified water and NEWater are being used from a public outreach campaign to change how individuals perceive recycled water. To further this aim, Singapore has migrated away from use of the term Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) to Water Recycling Plant (WRP). Something to consider for District.

As part of another discussion, the California Chapter President of WateReuse discussed the increased variability of weather patterns in California focusing on expected increases in temperatures leading to more rains and less reliable snowpack at higher elevations. This means we need to start thinking about how to capture flows that may not track with snowmelt patterns of the past. A final point was made that the Sierra snowpack is in fact California's largest water reservoir, so that changes to patterns of storage of that snowpack can bode for significant downstream impacts.

December 27, 2018: District/RMA General Manager meeting. Greg Vorster, RMA General Manager, and I have set a schedule of monthly meetings to discuss matters relating to cooperation between both stakeholders.

UPCOMING

January 10, 2019: Regional Water Authority (RWA) Board Meeting.