

MANAGER'S REPORT - APRIL 2013

This report provides an overview of District issues and projects.

OPERATIONS: Ray has asked for a month off. He has the time coming (in fact, in a "use or lose" position), so there was no reason not to approve. We will keep a laborer, Ernest Hollingsworth, on to help out over the next month. Walt Steagall will supervise the crews during this time.

TELEMETRY COMPUTER UPDATE: Everything has been ordered, but not received yet. We anticipate computer and software arriving the week of April 22. Aqua Systems will have a technician available that week to get us up and running.

MCKAY RETURN FLOW CERTIFICATE: Westland Irrigation District has filed a petition for reconsideration of Water Resources Department's issuance of the certificate for return flows from McKay Reservoir to WEID. They believe they will be "adversely affected and aggrieved." Their argument consists of these three main points;

- A. The certificate does not contain all the terms and conditions specified in Permit S-7400 (WID and SID's certificate). They want the amount limited to 1/80th of a cfs and a rate.
- B. Parties knew that a call would be made and is a real possibility and have agreed to develop a protocol. WID may be affected by such a call in its ability to develop conservation projects. They should be included in the protocol discussion.
- C. Any protocol developed for enforcing a call by Reclamation under the certificate should be in the certificate itself.

As I will be having discussion with our attorney and consultants about this filing on Wednesday, I can update you in executive session at the Board meeting.

UPS FISH SCREENS: NOAA or NMFS has provided comments to the design and some changes have been made to accommodate them. They met again this week to look over updates provided by Dave Nichols, our consultant. We will go over these changes at the BOD meeting.

RETURN FLOWS: Some work has been done by GSI looking at what we might be able to expect for return flows. It is in the development stage and I'll have some preliminary work for the BOD at the meeting.

CONJUNCTIVE USE: The 2012 figures are final now. The per acre-foot cost for 2012 will be:

Construction (Fixed)	\$ 7.10
O & M	\$ 3.81
Power	\$ 3.94 (estimated at \$4.50)
TOTAL	\$14.85.

The district used 6,376.35 af for a total cost of \$94,688.80 for 2012.

For 2013, the estimated cost is \$15.41/af. We pay up front for 5000 af.