

## MANAGER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2022

This report provides an overview of District issues and projects that we have been working on since the last board meeting.

**OPERATIONS:** Ben will be at the meeting to provide updates on the various operational issues.

**DISTRICT CREW:** Our new crew member, Daniel Rector, is working out quite well. He came with irrigation knowledge and skills and is fitting right in. He starts taking on-call this week and working on Saturday. Tassie has submitted her resignation, which she gave us plenty of notice about. We have two applicants that came in during the time working with the Employment Department and will address those this week. We also have met with Ruben Magallenas, who is an electrician, about helping us out with our pump care and maintenance for now. Lots of moving parts.

**CROSSINGS:** The Windwave crossings are still under review. UEC need to do some work east of Kurz Lane where the new service is going in for UEC (Westland). Port of Morrow has requested a crossing just west of the work the Columbia Improvement did two years ago. These are both over the canal crossings. Ben has info on these, for any questions.

**DEVELOPMENT:** Growth in all areas of the District continue to take up a lot of time. The Development Policy booklet that I am working on is becoming more and more important to complete. I also see that we may need to adjust our thinking, more to the future instead of maintaining what we have now.

**BOARD MEETING.** Here are my comments about several items on the agenda.

**BOR CONTRACT/INFRASTRUCTURE:** After reviewing the documents and discussion, I decided to move ahead with this work and the contract. The front end work we do now will allow us to amend the contract for the next phase of the work. The interest is at 0.75% and we are looking at a 5-year payback for the \$60,000. I expect the contract to be ready for review and signature at the Board meeting.

**MAIN CANAL OPTIMIZATION REVIEW GRANT:** The new grant officer, replacing Chet Sater on the grants, will be at the Board meeting. I have an outline for a scope of work and we will review it at the meeting.

**CTUIR:** I have talked with Joe Ely and we will try to set up a meeting in October. He will get a date to us as soon as he can. In preparation, we should review the latest proposal in Executive Session.