

Director Stovall notes from attending the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association Webinar

“Erosion Threat to Rivers After Wildfire”

Friday July 18

Need to recognize the trends of increased size, severity and length of the wild fire season. And the need to preparing for and adapting to the not if but to the when of additional wildfires in our water shed.

Expect increases in water treatment costs due to mud and contaminates water from fire-scorched hillsides.

Fuel breaks have been critical in saving communities including Pollock Pine and the Sly park in the EID.

The cost of prevention is much less the cost of reacting and responding to wildfires including the costs of debris flows, restoration, water treatment, and recovery of reservoirs and other water infrastructures after wild fires.

The photos from the

Personal takeaways;

Expect increase in state and federal funds to prepare for and respond to wildfires in watersheds. Specifically, to reduce the brush density of ladder fuels as we have seen around the Sweetwater Water, and fuel breaks around water and irrigation infrastructures.

Note that there has been close to a 50% reduction in national forest personnel. There may be funds in the future to increase water storage facilities. Have shovel/mini excavator ready projects.

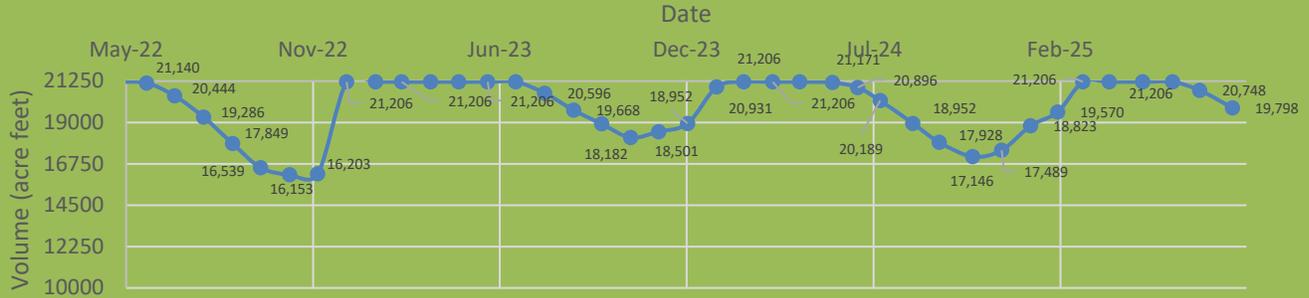
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Operations Report for July 2025

Presented to the GDPUD Board of Directors
by Operations Manager: Adam Brown

Informational Item
August 13, 2025

Stumpy Meadows Historical Capacity Chart



Note: Full Pool – 21,206 acre feet | August 6, 2025 – 19,798 acre feet

Treatment Operations

Walton Lake Treatment Plant – June

36.4 mg | 1,173,451 average gpd

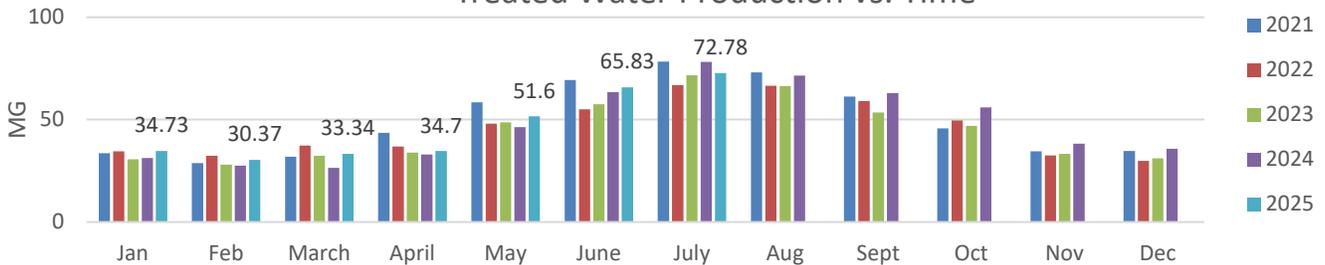
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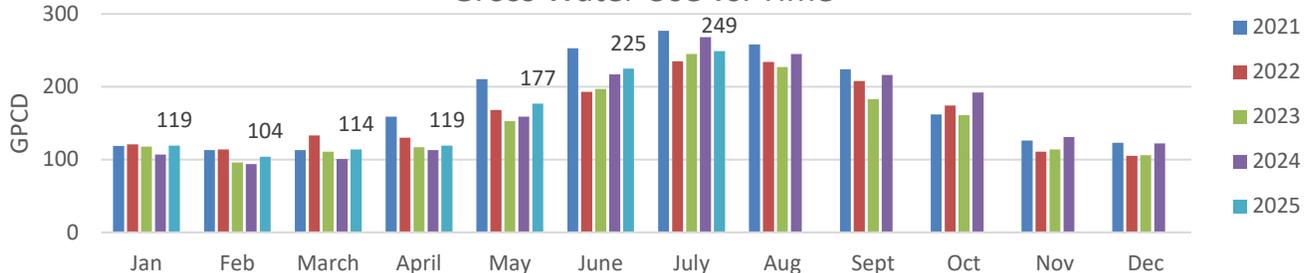
Water Quality Monitoring:

- ✓ All finished water was in compliance with drinking water standards.
- ✓ Collected routine bacteria distribution and quarterly disinfection by products samples.
- ✓ Distribution monitoring samples were absent of bacteriological contamination indicating adequate disinfection.

Treated Water Production vs. Time



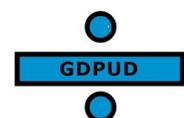
Gross Water Use vs. Time



Notes:

GPCD – Gallons per Capita per Day

MG – millions gallons



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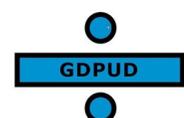
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Summary of Field Work Activities

Activity	Department	Events	Labor Hours	Total Cost
Underground Service Alert Response	5400	805	128	\$7,522
Water Main /Lateral Break Repair	5400	6	72	\$7,8009
Flush	All	11	9	\$486
Filter Backwash	5300	36	35	\$1,909
Enforcement	All	13	20	\$1,238
Adjustment	All	1	8	\$518
AMR Download	5400	12	10	\$603
Clean	All	8	23	\$1,528
Escrow Read	5400	7	7	\$314
Exercise	5400	12	8	\$423
Improvement	All	13	54	\$5,816
Inspect	All	29	19	\$1,028
Install	All	5	32	\$6,967
Investigate	All	47	169	\$10,989
Kelsey Ditch Checks	5200	30	164	\$7,753
Leak Detection	All	2	9	\$497
Meter Read	5400	5	16	\$1,104
Meter Pull/Swap	5400	2	4	\$263
Main Ditch Checks	5200	31	156	\$8,061
Maintenance	All	37	28	\$1,892
Muck Ditch	5100/5200	7	98	\$7,362
Pickup Supplies	All	1	4	\$291
Pump Station Checks	5400	4	16	\$8310
Regulatory Compliance	5300	2	8	\$377
Repair	All	6	73	\$10,801
Replace	All	11	168	\$17,447
Run Upper Ditch	5100	1	4	\$170
Sample	5300/5400	27	33	\$1,964
Treatment Plants Checks	5300	62	124	\$11,935
Up Country Canal Checks	5100	23	147	\$7,221
Walk Ditch	5100/5200	2	4	\$160
Vegetation Clearing	All	29	169	\$14,105
Customer Requests	All	40	-	\$12,512

Notes:

5100 – Source and Supply | 5200 – Raw Water Convenience | 5300 – Treatment | 5400 – Treated Water Distribution
5600 – Corporation Yard



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July Activities Photo Documentation



Hydrant Repair – 55 Labor Hours | Service Trucks, Dump Truck, Vacuum Trailer, Hand Tools, Excavator



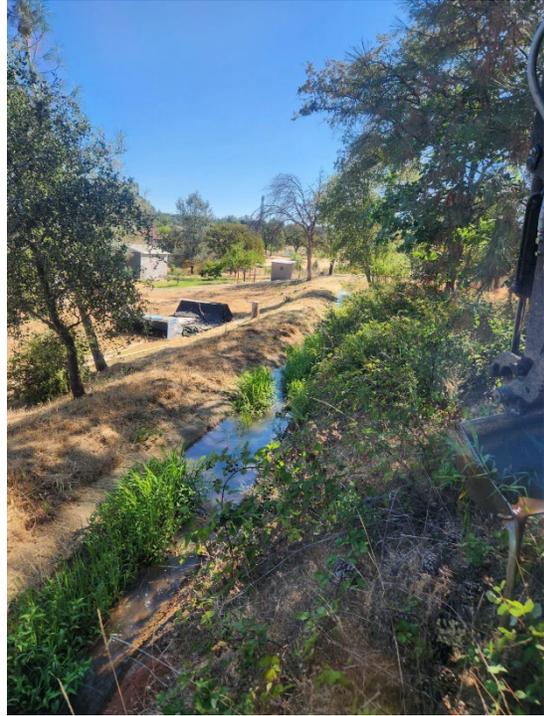
Service Line Repair – 77 Labor Hours | Service Trucks, Dump Truck, Vacuum Trailer, Hand Tools, Excavator

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Muck Ditch (Cherry Acres Ditch) – 45 Labor Hours | Service Trucks, Excavator, Vac Trailer



Clean Structure #2 – 16 Labor Hours | Excavator, Service Trucks

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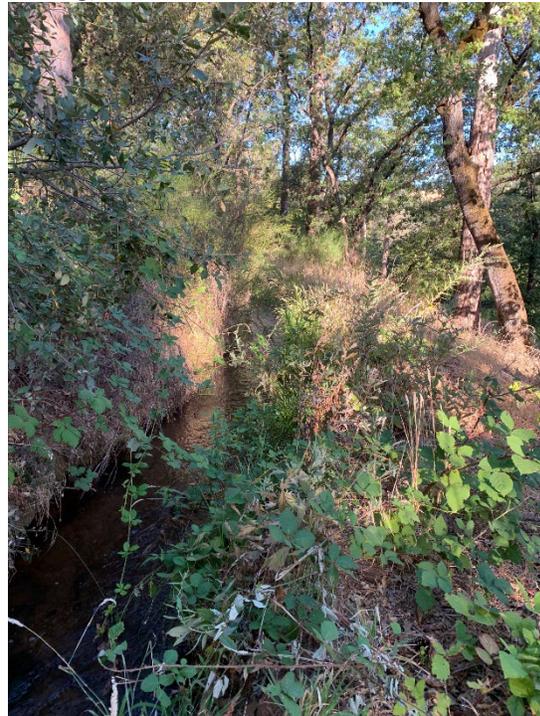
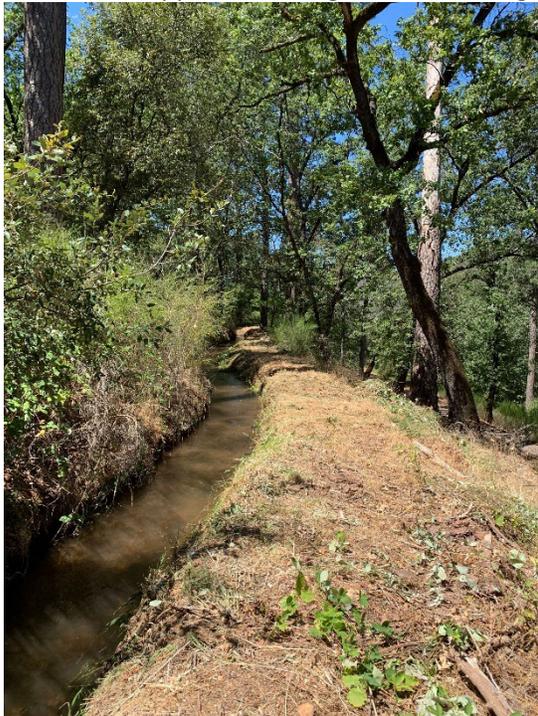
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Upper Canal Vegetation Clearing (On Going) – Excavator w/masticator



Vegetation Clearing (On Going) – Hand Clearing

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Capital Improvement Program – 2025/2026

Distribution Tank Coating

- Request for Bid in Development

Pump Station Retrofit

- Pump Rehabilitation –Black Ridge (Partially Complete- Electrical Panel)
- Holloway/Reservoir Road Investigation

Canal Lining

- Planning Phase

Gate Upgrade

- Request for Bid in Development

Walton Lake Compressor

- 4 Weeks

Sweetwater Filter Inspection

- November

Vehicle Replacement

- Filing for Exemption

General Activities

CalFire Grant

- CDS Fields | Deer Ravine | Angel Camp | Greenwood Lake | Main Canal (Partially Complete)

CalOES HMGP

- Public Notice ending Funding Allocation

USDA – Rural Funding Program

- Pending Conditions Letter Review

WaterSMART

- Fall 2025

FEMA Projects

- Cat C – Road Repair, Paid
- Cat D – Canal Silt Removal, Paid
- Cat D – Walton Lake Dredging – FEMA EHP Review

Sweetwater Tank Appropriations

- Project Workplan Submitted

General Customer Service

California Conservation Corporation

- Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund Training & Workplace Development Fund, Completed approximately 6,300 hours of work.

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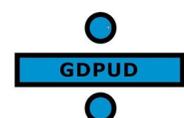
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Monthly Water Demand Assessment

Month	2022		2023		2024		2025	
	Gross Water Use	Residential						
January	121	72	118	49	107	49	119	59
February	114	80	96	54	94	54	104	66
March	133	109	111	49	101	77	114	73
April	130	113	117	80	113	80	119	75
May	168	133	153	142	159	142	177	115
June	193	161	197	147	217	147	225	119
July	235	193	245	188	268	195	249	195
August	234	192	227	205	245	195		
September	207	172	183	147	216	160		
October	174	141	161	153	192	155		
November	111	86	114	86	131	100		
December	105	83	106	83	122	97		



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Auburn Lake Trails Wastewater Management Zone Report for July 2025

6C Presented to the GDPUD Board of Directors by: Alexis Elliott

August 13, 2025

Zone activities are completed in accordance with California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Auburn Lake Trails On-Site Wastewater Disposal Zone* Order No. R5-2002-0031.

➤ **Community Disposal System (CDS) Lots - 137**

➤ **Individual Wastewater Disposal System Lots - 903**

Field Activities

✓ Routine Inspections:	65
✓ Property Transfer Processing:	3 Initial 7e Follow Up 3a Follow Up
✓ New Inspection	11
○ Plan Review	7
✓ Weekly CDS Operational	5
○ New Wastewater System	0
○ New CDS Tank	0
○ New Pump Tank	0

Reporting

The monthly *Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) – No Spill Certification* was submitted electronically to California Regional Water Quality Control Board on California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) on August 1. Second Quarter Zone report submitted. 2024 Customer consumer report (CCR) finalized.

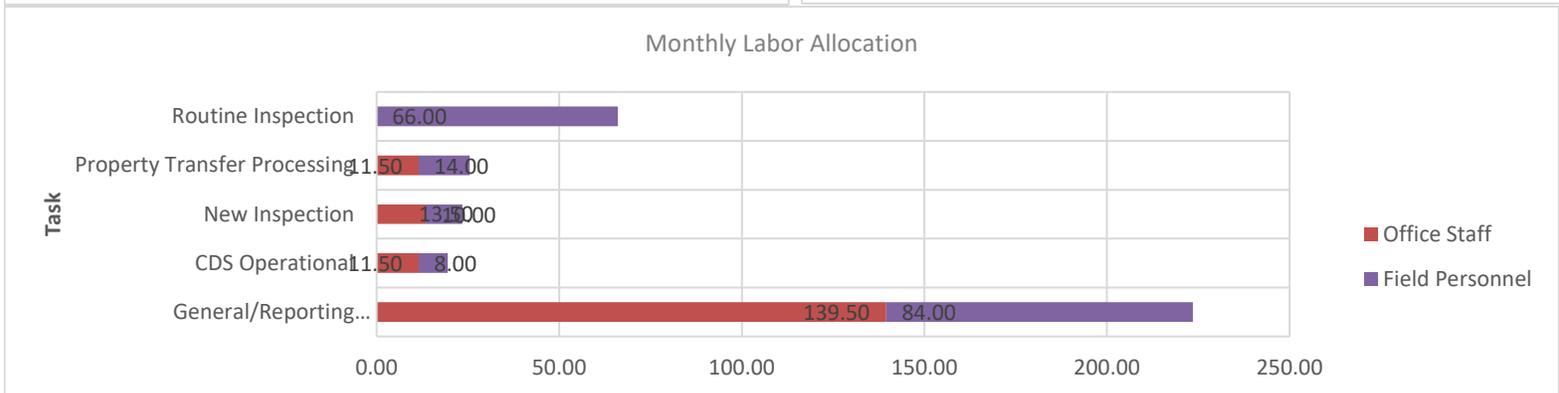
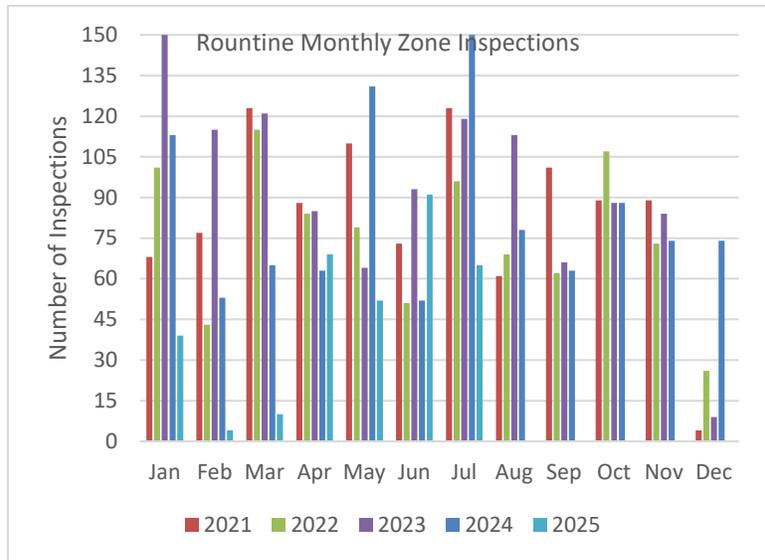
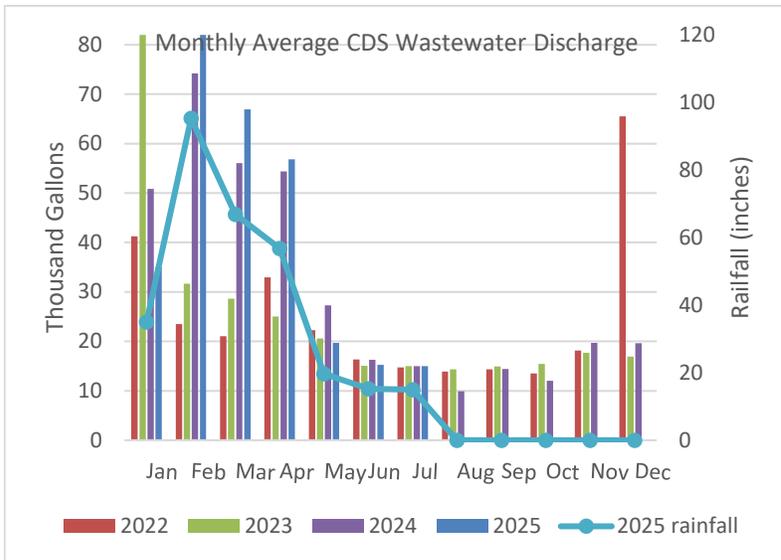
Notes This monthly report is from (Brian Rule 07/01/2025-07/30/2025). See Monthly tracking sheet.

CDS – Wastewater Discharge

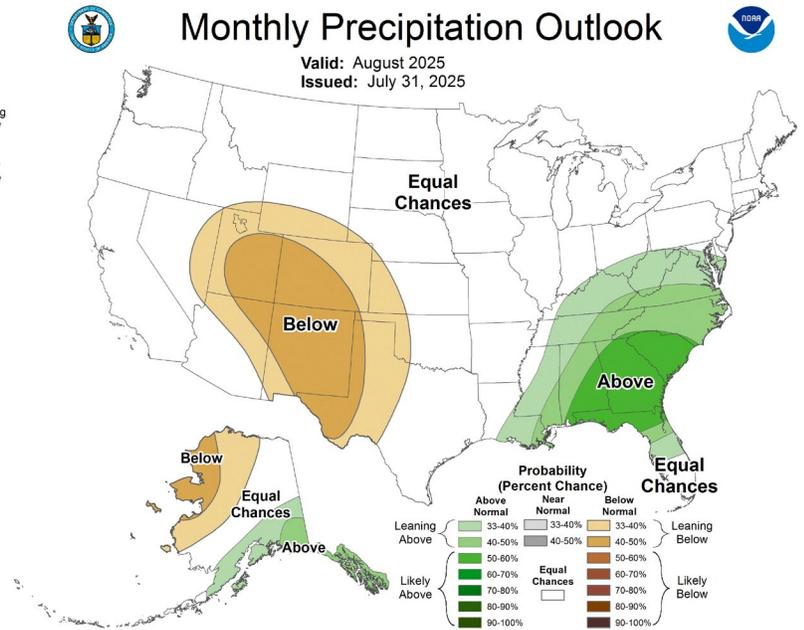
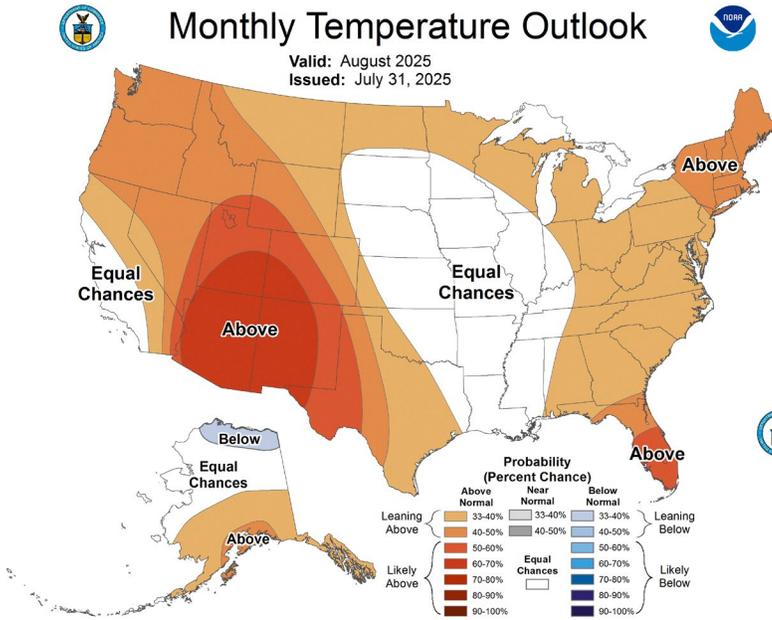
464,900 gallons / 14,996 gallon/day average

Rainfall

0.04



ENSO-neutral is most likely through the late Northern Hemisphere summer 2025 (56% chance in August-October). Thereafter, chances of La Niña conditions increase into the fall and winter 2025-26, but remain comparable to ENSO-neutral.

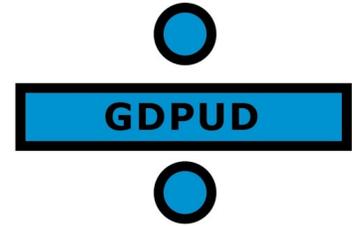


5 Year Rainfall History Per District Records

Rainfall	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2025	.33	15.36	7.95	4.52	0.35	.04							28.53
2024	11.79	10.93	7.12	3.93	2.38	0	0	0.14	0.02	.19	9.33	10.82	56.65
2023	14.66	8.05	15	0.33	1.23	0.07	0	0.17	0.68	2.76	2.70	3.65	49.30
2022	0.69	0.17	1.6	7.54	0.41	0.99	0	0	1.2	0.07	4.45	24.12	41.24
2021	9.10	4.72	4.30	0.14	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.93	14.29	2.84	16.59	52.94
2020	5.26	0.00	10.15	5.49	2.84	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.64	3.51	31.95

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 Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

**REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING OF August 13, 2025.
AGENDA ITEM NO.**



AGENDA SECTION: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

SUBJECT: GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

PREPARED BY: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

Week of July 6-12

- Held a Board Meeting on 7-9-25
- RWA Board Meeting 7-10-25
- ACWA Leg Committee 7-11-25

Week of July 13-19

- El Dorado County Project Coordination Work Group Meeting 7-15-25
- Agenda Planning with President Seaman 7-15-25
- Irrigation Committee 7-15-25

Week of July 20-26

- MCWRA Legislative Committee Meeting 7-24-25
- ACWA Headwaters Committee 7-25-25

Week of July 27 thru August 2

- Meeting with LAFCO 7-29-25
- Meeting with Sitoligiq about Solar project 7-30-25
- Timeline meeting with OpenGov 7-30-25
- Meet regarding Quintette 7-31-25

GOOD NEWS UPDATES

- Senator Adam Schiif has picked up our appropriations application for \$3Million for treated water line replacement and to repair the Ford Siphon.

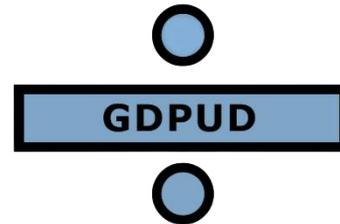
UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

ACWA Regulatory Quarterly Meetings 8-13-25

ACWA State Leg Meeting 8-15-25

ACWA Region 3 Webinar 8-20-25 (I will be moderating)

**REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2025
AGENDA ITEM NO. 8. B.**



AGENDA SECTION: ACTION ITEMS

SUBJECT: Decide to Fill Vacant Board of Director Seat Through Appointment Process or Special Election and, if an Appointment is Determined, Provide Direction on the Selection, Identification, Application Process, and Timeline for Making the Appointment

PREPARED BY: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

Approved By: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

BACKGROUND

District Staff was notified on August 4, 2025, by and through the District Counsel, that Director Thornbrough was resigning effective immediately due to emergency medical circumstances. The District Board of Directors will need to make a decision on how to fill this vacancy. The options for the District are to either utilize an appointment process or to call a special election.

DISCUSSION

When a Board member resigns, the remaining Board members must make a decision on how to fill the vacancy. State law, consistent with District Policy 4105, gives options on how to proceed in an event that a Board member resigns.

Options are as follows:

The Board has sixty days from August 4, 2025 to either make the appointment or adopt a resolution calling for a special election. If the Board chooses to call for a special election, the County Elections Department would likely run the election for the District at a not-insignificant cost. That election would not be until April 14, 2026, just nine months before the next regular election in November 2026.

Assuming the District prefers to fill the vacancy by an appointment, rather than a special election, per policy 4105, the District staff will publish a notice of vacancy and the process for considering candidates in the local newspaper. The District staff will also post a notice of vacancy in at least three places in the District. Such postings must be up for at least 15 days before any appointment is made.

In addition, per policy 4105.04 and 4105.05, the Board may establish an application and interview process, including requiring a resume or application form detailing the qualifications and experience of the candidates. The candidates' personal information will be redacted before being shared with the public. The Board may review and invite those candidates that

a majority of the Board determines are the most qualified or all of the candidates for an interview before the Board at a publicly noticed meeting. The Board may then consider the interviewed candidates and vote to determine if a majority of the Board can agree on a selected replacement candidate.

Staff is looking for direction on how the Board would like to proceed in making this appointment and the timing associated.

FISCAL IMPACT

This is dependent upon Board determinations and approval. Potential expenses could include the costs to facilitate a special election, according to El Dorado elections department the cost of a special election would start at \$30,000.

CEQA ASSESSMENT

This is not a CEQA project.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD) discuss and provide direction on how to proceed in filling the vacant Board of Directors seat, as set forth above.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board may consider a special election instead of an appointment

ATTACHMENTS

1. Policy 4105



GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Policy and Procedures Manual

POLICY TITLE: Policy for Filling Vacancy(ies) on Board of Directors

POLICY NUMBER: 4105 **Adopted:** January 23, 2013 **Amended:** February 6, 2024
Former Number: 4097

Section 4105.01 Purpose

The District Board of Directors (Trustees) are elected (or appointed) in accordance with the Principal Act of the District. From time to time a vacancy may occur on the Board for a variety of reasons. This policy is established to provide general guidelines and procedures for filling a vacancy on the Board. Under state law, the District has a total of sixty (60) days in which to take action.

Section 4105.02

The Board of Directors shall be informed as immediately as possible of the resignation or death of a member of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consider whether to act to fill the vacancy, either by appointment or by calling a special election.

Section 4105.03

The District shall notify the county elections official of the vacancy no later than fifteen (15) days after the District Board is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later.

Section 4105.04

In cases where the Board determines to appoint a replacement to the Board, the District shall publish a public notice of a vacancy and the process for considering candidates, in a local newspaper of general circulation. The Board may establish an application and interview process including requiring a resume or application form detailing the qualifications and experience of the candidates. The candidates' personal information will be redacted before being shared with the public.

4097.4.1 In addition to the notice in a local newspaper of general circulation, the District shall post a notice of vacancy in at least three conspicuous places in the District at least fifteen (15) calendar days before the Board makes an appointment. If the Board makes an appointment, the District shall notify the county elections official within fifteen (15) days of making the appointment.

Section 4105.05

The Board may review and invite those candidates that a majority of the Board determines are the most qualified or all of the candidates for an interview before the Board at a publicly noticed meeting. The Board may then consider the interviewed candidates and vote to determine if a majority of the Board can agree on a selected replacement candidate.

Filing Vacancies on Board of Vacancy(ies)

Section 4105.06

If the Board of Directors chooses to call an election, the Board must do so within sixty (60) days of notification of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later.

Section 4105.07

All costs and funding for any election shall be identified for consideration by the Board for the decision of appointment or election.

Section 4105.08

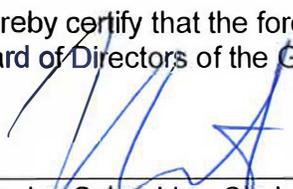
A selected replacement Director's term shall be consistent with the Principal Act of the District.

Section 4105.09

If the Board fails to take action in the sixty (60) day period, state law provides that the Board of Supervisors may appoint a successor to fill the vacancy.

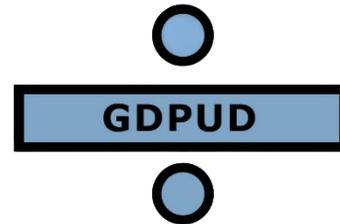
Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Policy 4105 amended by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District on February 6th, 2024.



Nicholas Schneider, Clerk, and Ex-Officio
Secretary, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

**REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2025
AGENDA ITEM NO. 8. C.**



AGENDA SECTION: ACTION ITEMS

SUBJECT: Irrigation Customer Survey

PREPARED BY: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

Approved By: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

BACKGROUND

During the March 18, 2025, April 18, 2025, June 17, 2025, and July 15, 2025 Irrigation Committee Meetings, the group expressed interest in continuing to explore the development of a customer survey gathering feedback from District customers.

DISCUSSION

Previously, the District conducted a customer survey during the fall of 2018. Customers were able to respond both digitally and via mail. Of the 403 active customer accounts at the time, 41 responses were submitted digitally and 12 through the mail.

The possibility of conducting a new survey was discussed during the October 10, 2023, Committee meeting. Due to the low response rate previously, the discussion determinations turned to alternate forms of customer outreach. The discussion included exploring the feasibility of offering year-round irrigation service and extending service on ditch runs to allow water delivery beyond the traditional season dates.

The Board of Directors may develop additional ideas for a customer survey and provide staff with direction regarding the focus and outreach strategies.

FISCAL IMPACT

This is dependent upon Board determinations and approval. Potential expenses include printing, postage, and staff time. To save District expense, a digital survey can be built on the District website and notifications sent out through the WaterSmart software program.

CEQA ASSESSMENT

This is not a CEQA project.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD) evaluate the potential benefits and challenges of conducting a customer survey and authorize staff to send this survey out if the Board determines this is valuable.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board may consider the potential alternatives:

1. Request Revisions- Direct staff to revise the proposed survey or outreach plan.
2. Reject the Proposal- Decide not to move forward with a customer survey at this time.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed survey from Irrigation Committee Chairman McKay

GDPUD Irrigation Service Customer Survey 2025

Potential Questions for the Survey

1. How do you use your irrigation water? (choose all that apply)

- Livestock Landscape/Garden Defensible Space Agriculture
 Ponds (please answer question 2 below if you have a pond)
 Other (Specify):

2. a. If you have a pond on your property, is it possible for fire vehicles/personnel to easily reach it in the event of an emergency for fighting fire?

- Yes No Unsure

b. Would you like to be contacted to include your pond in the Fire mapping system to allow such access?

- Yes No I'd like more information before deciding

3. Please rate your irrigation service overall

- It's Great It's Okay Could be better Not Satisfied at all

Why did you choose this rating?

4. Do you have any suggestions for improving the irrigation service? No

- Yes (Specify):

5. Is the current Irrigation Ordinance fair and reasonable*?

- Yes No (Please specify how you'd improve it)

**Note: A link to the ordinance on GD-PUD website will be provided with the survey*

6. Are you aware you can pre-pay for your service to make budgeting easier?

- Yes No No, but I'd like to know more

7. Would changing the billing cycle help you budget for Irrigation service? Yes No

(PLEASE NOTE: this would change billing for ALL customers, not just individual accounts)

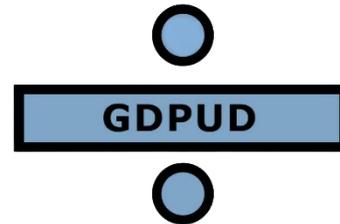
If YES, which option would you prefer? (dollar amounts shown are for "In-District" 1 inch of water)

- Keep the current billing cycle (3 bills - May/June \$353.84, July/Aug \$353.84, Sept \$176.92)
 Make billing monthly during the season (5 bills - May through Sept at \$176.92 each)
 Bill on an annual monthly basis (12 bills - \$73.72 every month)
 I'll just use your prepayment option

8. If you applied for Irrigation in the last few years, was the initial application process simple, and was the form easy to fill out?

- Yes No (Please specify how you'd improve it)

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 8. D.**



AGENDA SECTION: ACTION ITEMS

SUBJECT: Irrigation Customer Survey Release Forum

PREPARED BY: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

Approved By: Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

BACKGROUND

As discussed in the previous item during the March 18, 2025, April 18, 2025, June 17, 2025, and July 15, 2025 Irrigation Committee Meetings, the group expressed interest in continuing to explore the development of a customer survey gathering feedback from District customers.

Furthermore, at the April 15, 2025, meeting, it was proposed to facilitate a public forum to discuss this issue. Lastly, at the July 15 meeting, we discussed some of the potential partners and topics to discuss. In this item, we will discuss the location, date, and potential participants in this event

DISCUSSION

The Board of Directors may develop additional ideas for a customer survey and provide staff with direction regarding the focus and outreach strategies, including possible forum locations. Currently, we are proposing to work with Garden Valley Fire and the Divide Chamber of Commerce to host and provide a location for this event.

Potential Partner agencies to include:

1. RCD/NRCS
2. Georgetown Fire
3. Garden Valley Fire
4. El Dorado County Fire
5. Cal Fire
6. Fire Safe Council
7. Golden Sierra High School FFA
8. Duarte Vineyards
9. American River Conservancy
10. Forest Service

Potential Dates: All meetings will be at 6:00 pm and include some sort of food:

October 28 or 29

Potentially Later in the Year or Early 2026

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of this is dependent upon the decisions made by the Board on how to proceed with this forum.

CEQA ASSESSMENT

This is not a CEQA project.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD) evaluate the potential benefits and challenges of conducting a customer survey.

ALTERNATIVES

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ATTACHMENTS