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THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

RECEIVES TWO GRANTS TOTALING \$619,954

The Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (District) announces the awarding of two grants to the District--a \$500,000 WaterSmart Grant from the Bureau of Reclamation and a \$119,514 grant from the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), for a total of \$619,954.

The \$500,000 WaterSmart Grant will go toward the purchase of new smart water meters as part of the District's Water Meter Replacement Project. The District received consultant support from the El Dorado County Water Agency in preparing the Grant Application. These funds will offset some of the costs associated with the low interest loan the District is anticipating from the State Revolving Fund that will be used to fund the water meter project.

The \$119,514 Cal OES grant will go toward the purchase and installation of a new backup generator for the Walton Lake Treatment Plant; the total cost of the generator is \$124,111, meaning the District's portion is only \$4,597.

Members of the Board of Directors commended Staff for their excellent work to successfully pursue this important funding opportunity for the District.

For additional information, please contact interim General Manager Jeff Nelson at (530) 333-4356. To learn more about the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, go to www.gd-pud.org.