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**Originator:** General Manager

**Purpose of Brief:** Informational Briefing

**Supporting Documents Included:** No

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1. **CalOES Power Grant Update**

* GENSETS start to arrive week of 8 November
* First progress report due to CalOES NLT 30 November – no issues to report
* Period of performance extended from 31 March 2022 to 31 December 2022

1. **COVID Update**

* No cases of COVID among CSD or HOA staff
* CalOSHA is following US OSHA COVID vaccine and masking policies. Currently applicable to organizations of 100 or more employees but that may change. Doesn’t dramatically change how we continue to operate at this point.

1. **Grant update**

* We received COVID relief funding in the amount of $84,284. One of the approved uses for this funding is infrastructure upgrades to ensure delivery of safe and reliable water and sewer services.
* The SNC Planning grant submission was denied, ostensibly for lack of funding
* Submitted Small District Drought Program grant for rehabilitation of Well 29
* Preparing a grant for water reclamation plant. Originally looking at the Small Community Drought program, but now looking for an alternative program
* Both IRWM and CalFire have announced new grant opportunities over the winter.
* Multiple other programs continue to emerge, tracking all for possible opportunities

1. **Drought Developments**

* Plumas County remains Rated as D2-Severe Drought (one step below D3-Extreme drought)
* DWR and SWB appear to be issuing drought instructions on regional/water basin basis. So far, no restrictions are in place for the Eastern slope of the Sierra’s north of Tahoe. I’m continuing to monitor

1. **HFT Update**

* Dan Winningham completed HFT operations on 4 November after determining the ground was too soft and muddy due to the big storm to continue work. There is a small possibility that if we return to dry conditions or the ground freezes that he might be back up to finish that last roughly 6 acres, but it is unlikely at this point. We’ll plan to pick up in the spring.
* Thanks to Mike Callahan who donated a great number of hours to walk the property, coordinate with owners, and find solutions to problem. Working together with Kyle Felker, our Forest Management consultant, we had a great team on the ground.

\* Includes $4,953 of subsidized costs to bring 13.2 private acres into treatment at an average subsidized cost of only $375 per acre.

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|  | Phase I | Phase II- | Phase III | Total |
| Common Area | 10 | 25.7 |  | 35.7 |
| Nakoma | 6 | 16.5 |  | 22.5 |
| Private |  | 6.8 | 13.2 | 20 |
| Firebreak |  |  | 22 | 22 |
|  |  |  |  | 100.2 |

**ACRES TREATED**

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|  | **Phase I** | **Phase II-A** | **Phase II - B** | **Phase III** |  | **Totals** |
| CSD Cost | $ 9,465 | $ 21,161 | $ 250 | $ 21,003 |  | $ 51,879\* |
| HOA Cost | $ 9,465 | $ 21,161 | $ 250 | $ - |  | $ 30,876 |
| Nakoma | $ 6,500 | $ 7,175 | $ 12,125 |  |  | $ 25,800 |
| Private | $ - | $ 2,850 | $ 928 | $ 12,739 |  | $ 16,517 |
|  | $ 25,430 | $ 52,347 | $ 13,553 | $ 33,742 |  | $ 125,072 |

1. **Other Ongoing Initiatives**
2. Waiting on LAFCO for final Municipal Service Review (MSR)
3. Completed preliminary engineering on following projects:
   1. Well 29 rehabilitations
   2. Falling Water leach field expansion
   3. Falling Water reclamation plant
   4. High elevation water tank
4. Developing a Water & Sewer Owners Guide for distribution and posting
5. Work with staff to implement an updated CSD Welcome package for new homeowners, new property owners, and institutional property owners.
6. Risk Mitigation Project –responses to priory risks identified in the District’s risk review.
7. Developing procedural manuals for both administrative and operational procedures