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**Originator:** General Manager

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**Supporting Documents Included:** No

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1. **CalOES Power Grant Update**

* Grant is fully funded – funds deposited in a Grant Account with Plumas bank
* Program end date extended from October 31, 2021, to March 31, 2022
* Site surveys and engineering for each GENSET and associated propane tank for specific installation requirements
* Proceeding with bid process for GENSETS and Propane Tanks

1. **CalFIRE 2021 Fire Prevention Grant**

* Submitted complete grant package on 19 May
* Description: The Gold Mountain Community Service District (GMCSD) designed our Critical Infrastructure Project to significantly improve the resilience of the Gold Mountain community to property loss and damage during wildland fires, and thereby to create a barrier to the spread of explosive wildfire along historic west to east paths into the neighboring low-income and at-risk communities of Iron Horse and Portola.
* Grant Request for $988,883 to treat approximately 500 acres including common areas, critical infrastructure safety zones, and community forest thinning.

1. **CSDA Technology Grant –** submitted grant request for $1,500 pledging a $500 contribution for $1980 video-conferencing solution for our meeting and conference room.
2. **Grant Outlook**

* IRWM Prop 1. Expect another round of grant applications this summer. We have three projects eligible for Prop 1 grant funding: High elevation water tank, high elevation well, water reclamation facility. No guarantee for funding but projects have been approved.

1. **Watched Legislation**

[AB 361](https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/publishbillinfo.aspx?bi=gvQVDR%2fjmGLaWs1SQErHm6HVCjFfGj6Rzdl2eF0x3y1idaa5MOsCWNJTiTZ9Zw%2fH) [**Rivas, Robert**](https://a30.asmdc.org/)**D   Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.**

[AB 1500](https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/publishbillinfo.aspx?bi=wy7jJKFUcOH7M7%2ft1izS9AKt6oqIb1q8r3L%2fFcyYSUGStOcQqvM4lUA1G1dEiAo8) [**Garcia, Eduardo**](https://a56.asmdc.org/)**D   Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022.**

[SB 552](https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/publishbillinfo.aspx?bi=xY9novKFZjYkffyKu5vEZStWN%2fo%2b3l81vcVTWUq5vTrkkuyMvhxoDztPRNthuFr6) [**Hertzberg**](https://sd18.senate.ca.gov/)**D   Drought planning: small water suppliers: non-transient water systems.**

[SB 456](https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/publishbillinfo.aspx?bi=p0nX16pJv7f%2fwQKdWKN8YT3zhlLXRmaiqmKKLrWUk45c6IkIZMJVb7RBF30ou8yz) [**Laird**](http://sd17.senate.ca.gov/)**D   Fire prevention: wildfire and forest resilience: action plan: reports. streamlining of permitting for landowner-initiated projects for the improvement of forest health and the reduction of forest fire fuels**

1. **Personnel**

* Position of Fire Manager eliminated – Judy Clot terminated
* Kelsey Allingham passed his Water Treatment Grade 1 certification
* T passed Spring Semester courses in Accounting & Business

1. **Other Ongoing Initiatives**
2. Developed a draft Basic Ordering Agreement (BOE) contract to support routine contracted services to include excavation and electrical services. Objective is to provide a simpler and more expeditious way to get to contractors for routine work. Developed in conjunction with counsel’s advice and guidance.
3. To complete a revised draft district Municipal Service Review (MSR) for submission to LAFCO and for use in or Fire Services Consolidation initiative (last MSR in 2011)
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 bot administrative and operational procedures
8. Website Updates – Positive messaging; Firewise; W&S package
9. Redistricting and voter rights (back burner)