

## MEMO

TO: District Manager

FROM: Director of Operations

SUBJECT: OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT PROJECT STATUS REPORT  
WEEK ENDING MARCH 13, 2009

DATE: March 12, 2009

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the District Manager review and file the Operations Department Project Status Report for the week ending March 13, 2009.

### **BACKGROUND:**

#### DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN

Rainfall collected at the Districts Operations Building total to date is 36.95 inches. Rainfall totals this time last year was 37.28 inches. Rainfall totals are approaching last years totals, and it appears 2009 will be another critically dry year. Staff is undertaking preparations for a drought year up to including water rationing.

#### Olympia Well 2 & 3 Electrical Panel Upgrades

During the reporting period staff started the field preparation for upgrading/replacement for the electrical panels for Olympia Wells 2 & 3. Both panels have been received and all PG&E engineering has been completed. The wells will be off line for approximately two weeks as this is a major electrical upgrade. The main panel at Olympia Well 2 was damaged by an electrical fire and surge. In addition the panels were designed with soft starters and surge protection. During the replacement project a generator will be available if emergency operations are needed.

#### Main Line Flushing

Flushing was completed in the District's South System Pasatiempo Pines area. Flushing is performed annually in selected parts of the distribution system to remove iron deposits and sediment from main lines. Manana Woods is scheduled to be flushed March 24, 2009 to complete the 2009 annual flushing program.

## File Mile Pipeline

Staff walked and removed brush and down trees along the Five Mile Pipeline. Each year this maintenance and inspection is completed in preparation for the use of the pipeline. Currently the pipeline is not in use as Foreman and Peavine Creeks are flowing great enough to provide water for the North System water consumption.

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Director of Operations