

# October 2021 Superintendent's Report

## Wastewater Treatment Plant:

Operators performed routine repair and maintenance at the wastewater treatment plant during October 2021. One operator was out on vacation half the month so things have been busy for the remaining staff. Seasonal helper Caiden Craig has completed his job and is done as of this month. The District thanks Cayden for his help and hard work. The Superintendent has submitted the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter self-monitoring report to the State. Cummins Generator Service Tech was in the area 10/21/21 and paid us a visit, we ran a successful load test of our generator and everything worked as designed.

## Recycled Water:

MUSD made multiple requests for recycled water in October 2021, having repaired their irrigation system in September. MCCSD was not able to transfer any water due to having high nitrate levels. We are continuing to explore ways to reduce the nitrate levels, including changes to the treatment process as proposed by GHD. SHN continues to work with MCCSD to address the most recent State comments related to the District Title-22 report. Recycled water remains a very high priority for the District, and I personally am dedicating a lot of time to search for solutions.

## Biosolids Trailer and Transport:

MCCSD staff did not transport any Biosolids to Novato in October of 2021.

## Construction Updates:

The backup generator ordered for the Heeser St. Lift Station back in May of 2021, now has a projected arrival date of 1/12/2022. This is funded by the Cal OES PSPS grant awarded earlier this year. Staff has sent an update to Grant Program informing them. They asked how we plan to spend the remaining funds. The comments from District Legal Counsel related to the service agreement with GHD have been submitted to GHD for consideration, along with the letter of intent. The District has ordered the special underwater hydraulic tools needed for installing replacement anchors on the outfall, estimated arrival date is November 29, 2021.

## Safety Meeting and Plant Safety Inspection:

The District is still following County, State, Federal, and CDC guidelines regarding COVID-19 safety precautions. The Safety Officer conducted the monthly safety inspection of the plant. The 30-minute monthly safety meeting was October, 14, 2021. The topic was *Recognizing Drug and Alcohol Abuse*.

## Sanitary Sewer Collection System:

There were no MCCSD collection system sanitary sewer overflows to report during January 1, 2020 thru October 21, 2021. MCCSD staff spent about two days investigating the Hills Ranch Lift Station issue, and we are happy to report the equipment is back to normal operations without the need for replacement or expensive service. Their HOA and property management group has been informed.

## Drought Update:

The District continues to work with Federal, State, County, and local officials on emergency drought mitigation plans. The MCCSD ad-hoc Drought Committee continues to work on solutions. This past month we have had continued conversations with Sen. Feinstein's office staff, USDA grant funding program representatives, the State Division of Drinking Water, FEMA Bric Grant consultants, and GHD Engineering.

MCCSD office staff continue to hear from community members related to water concerns and or possible solutions. MCCSD still has some supplies of bottled drinking water for any person or business in need. Please stop by the WWTP Monday-Friday 10-3. 0