

MANAGERS REPORT FOR JUNE 16,2009

At present all sewer systems are working properly except for occasional pump plugging with rags and such being flushed or put into the sewer system that jams the pumps and makes it necessary to pull and unplug the pump or replace it if it is shorted out from overload.

To help avert this problem I have upgraded all replacement pumps to grinder/shredder type pumps. This seems to be working well where we have placed them.

I have placed a notice in the local paper advising the public that by law it is against the law to place anything in the sewer system other than wash and toilet water, no solids or any type of chemicals.


With the new work schedule I have put in place where all seven days of the week have people on regular duty thus eliminating weekend overtime we now have dropped that expense from \$3000.00 a pay period to around \$200.00 FOR THE SAME PERIOD. This is all according to our Union Contract.

On Tuesday June 9,2009 Jose Cortez our representative from State Water Quality Board was here to meet with me on the status of our new Pond System and a personal inspection of its operation to certify its class. He was pleased with the plant operation and with our two new pump stations (22 & 24) and we are filing the required information with the regional Board and Sacramento that it is a class 2 plant requiring grade 2 minimum class to be in charge of the plant operation. It also requires that all persons working at that plant must be a minimum grade of operator in training to perform work on that plant assisting a grade 1 or 2 operator.

I also gave Jose a tour of the Desert Shores ponds and explained to him how I was working to find some means of financing the upgrades necessary to satisfy their Board when we have growth in the area. By remodeling a big pond as you enter the site at the gate into an aeration pond and placing a weir between it and the next small pond that will be the clarifying pond then to the evaporation/ percolation ponds. He was pleased with that. This would eliminate odors and enhance evaporation giving us about another 100,000 gallons per day capacity at that plant.

We now have a park host in the Desert Shores Park, This will stop a lot of the vandalism in the park which has been rampant lately .

The Salton City golf course is no longer a District function, It is now in the hands of the Golf Club.


Tom Cannell General Manager