



General Manager's Report

Report on Water System Operations for:

Metering Period:

Billing Period:

Activity Period:

February, 2016

12/01/2015

- THRU -

01/05/2016

12/16/2016

- THRU -

01/15/2016

01/01/2016

- THRU -

01/31/2016

(MG= Million Gallons)

(Mg/L= milligrams per liter) (Ug/L= micrograms per liter)

(MCL= Maximum Contaminant Level)

(cf.= Cubic Feet)

Total Water Pump From All Wells in Metering Period (TWP) ----->

7.1776

MG

Total Water Sold in Metering Period ----->

6.0832

MG

Total Filter Plant Backwash Water in Metering Period ----->

0.0499

MG

Total Water Main Flushing Water in Metering Period ----->

0.0109

MG

Total Other Authorized Water Use in Metering Period ----->

0.0000

MG

Total Authorized Consumption in Metering Period (TAC) ----->

6.1439

MG

Total Distribution System Leakage in Metering Period (DSL) ----->

1.0337

MG

Percentage of DSL in Metering Period ----->

14.4%

%

12 Month Running Total of TWP ----->

87.6367

MG

12 Month Running Total of TAC ----->

88.1964

MG

12 Month Running Total of DSL ----->

-0.5597

MG

12 Month Average of Percentage of DSL ----->

-0.6%

%

2,590

Residential Accounts

Paid Base Rates Totaling:

104,160.00

106

Commercial Accounts

Paid Base Rates Totaling:

7,853.00

615,631

cf.

Residential Consumption

at \$0.0325 per c.f.

20,008.00

224,371

cf.

Commercial Consumption

at \$0.0350 per c.f.

7,853.00

4

Fire-Flow Accounts

Paid Base Rates Totaling:

477.58

5,450.00

Surfside Contract +

263.00

Reimbursments =

5,713.00

Other Income: ----->

6,308.00

Total Amount Billed in Billing Period ----->

152,372.58

Total Accounts Past Due in Billing Period ----->

307

Total Accounts Past Due Longer than 60 days in Billing Period ----->

63

Total Accounts Locked Off for being past due in Billing Period ----->

8

Total Number of Properties with Liens ----->

36

Total Number of Water Main Locates Completed in Activity Period ----->

48

Total Number of Water Quality Complaints in Activity Period ----->

0

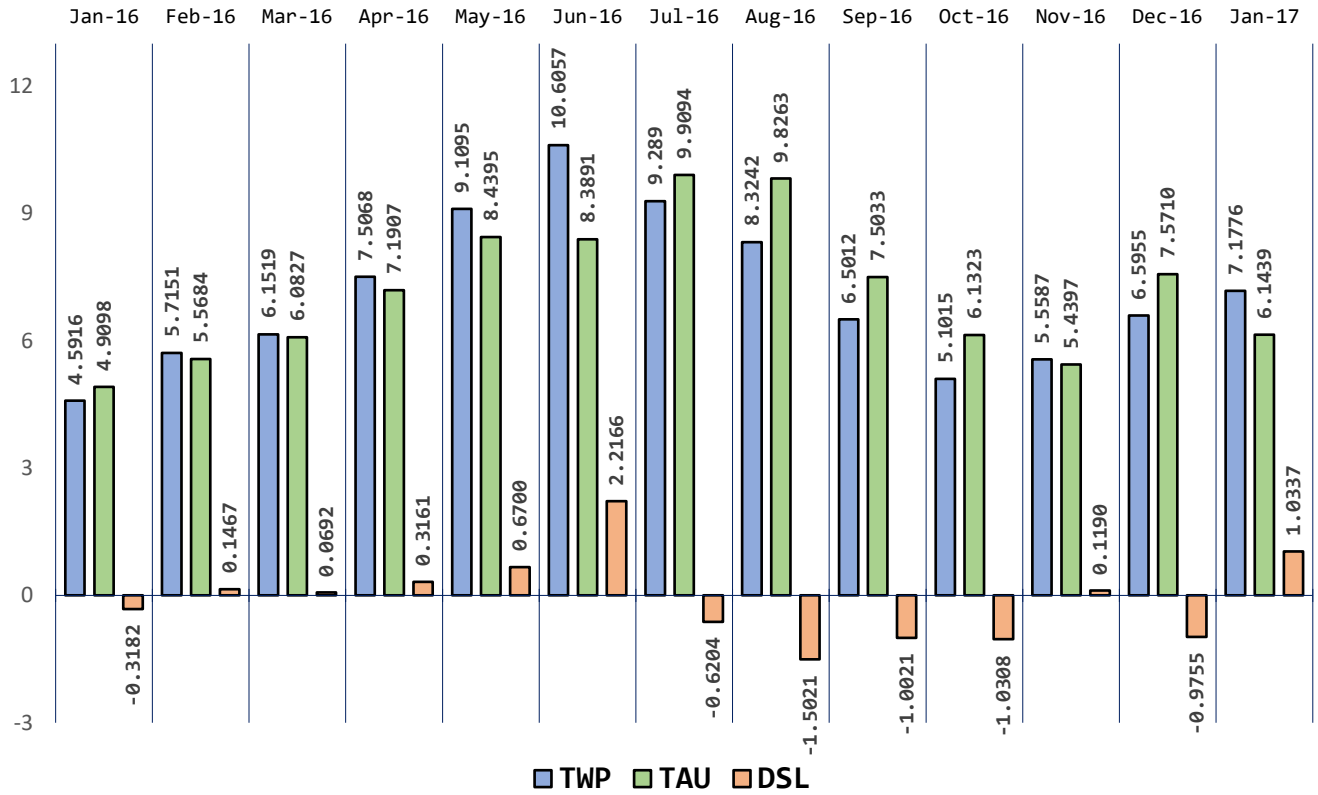
Total Number of Customer Service Calls in Activity Period ----->

65

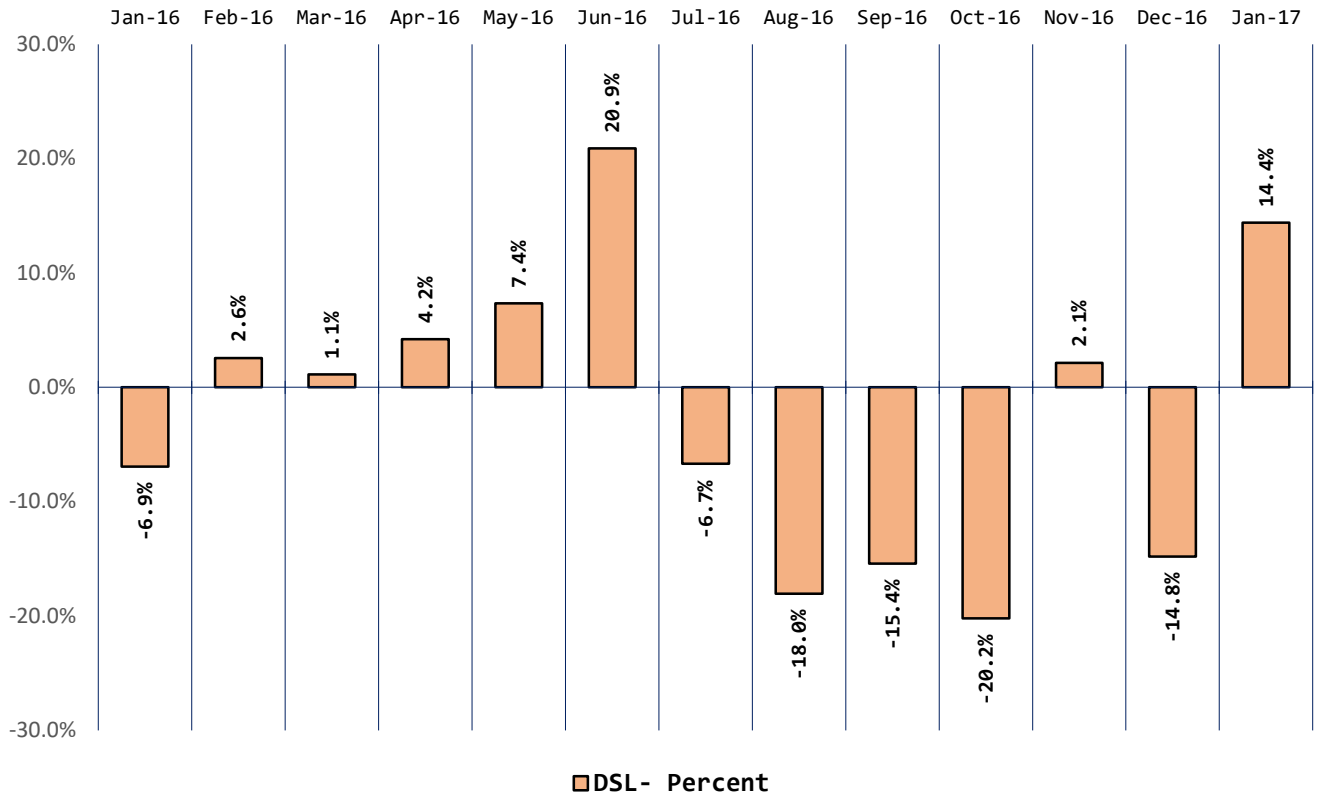
Total Number of Customer Valves Installed in Activity Period ----->

0

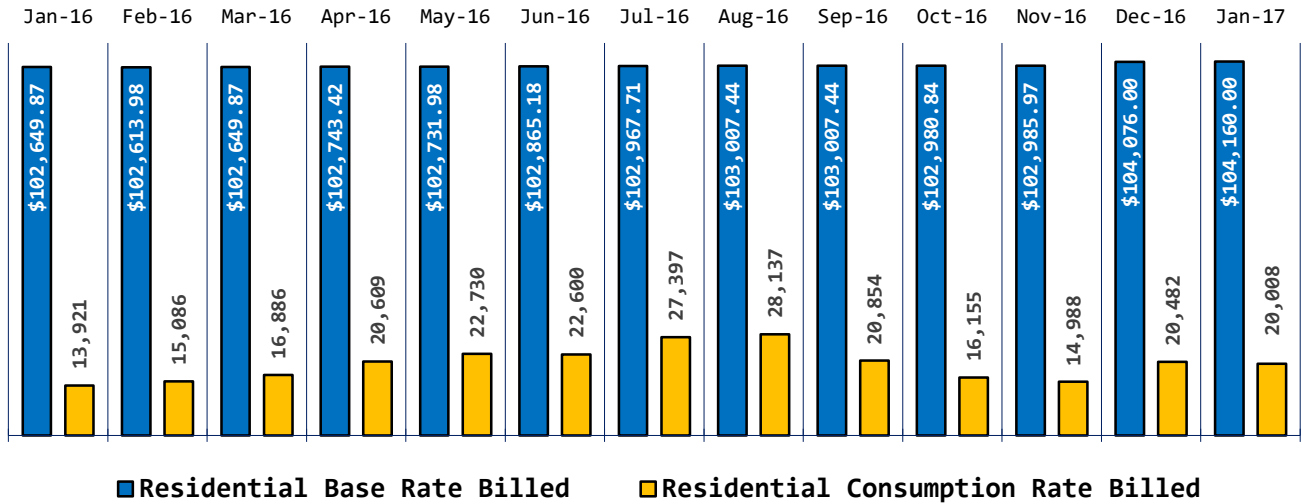
Water Use Efficiency Chart #1



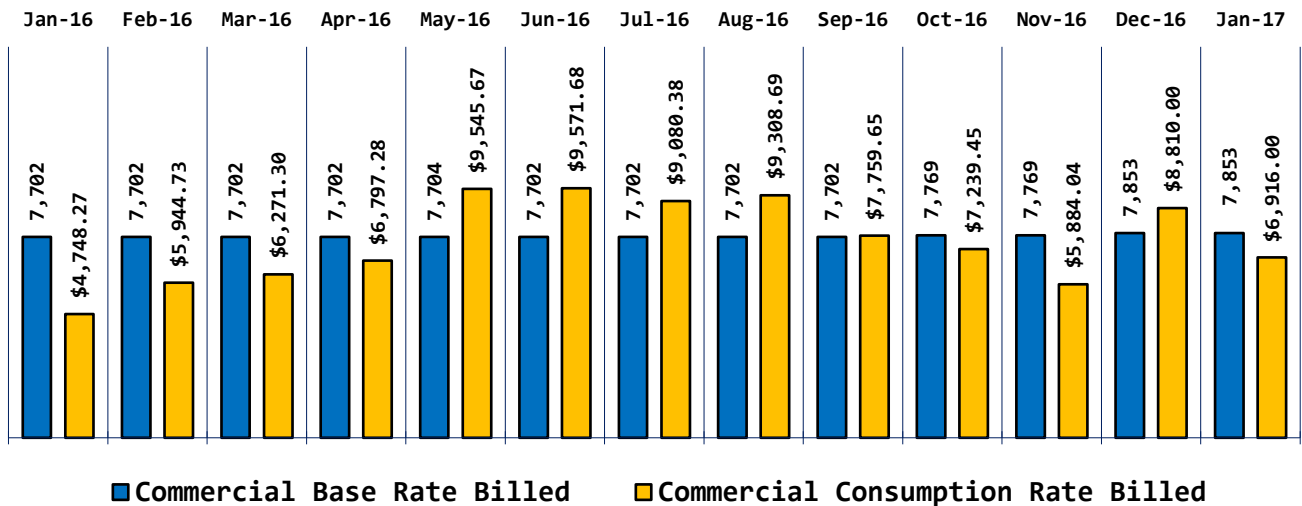
Water Use Efficiency Chart #2



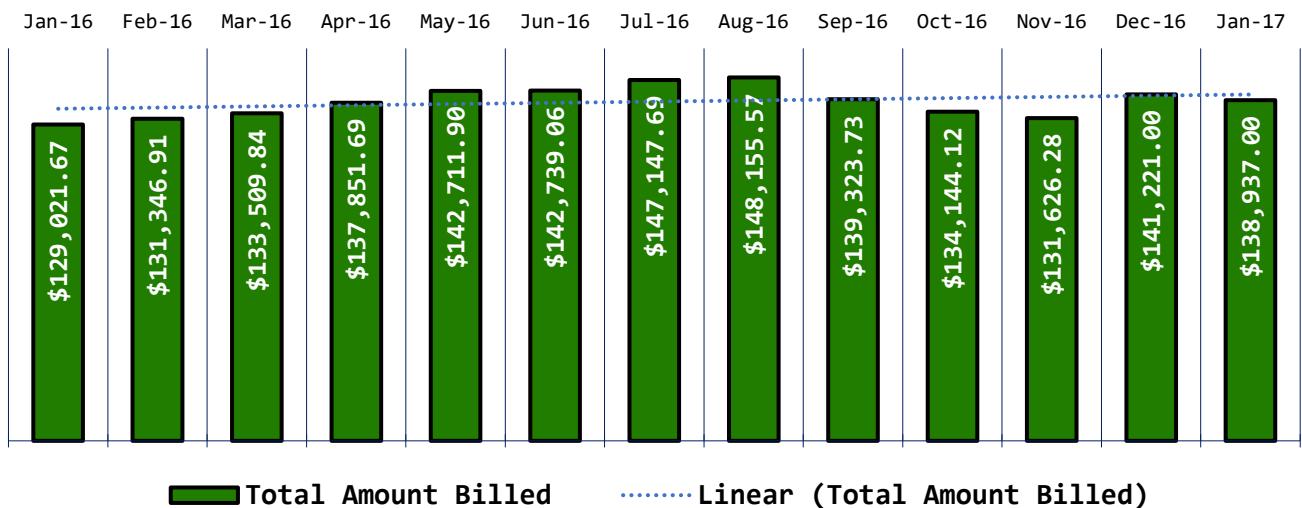
RESIDENTIAL REVENUE



COMMERCIAL REVENUE



Total Amount Billed By NBWD By Month



03.3.2017

General Manager Report March, 2017

To
Board of Commissioners

From
William Neal,
General Manager

DWSRF Project Status:

No work on the South Wellfield DWSRF project was accomplished in February. The vendor providing the filter units has failed to deliver the equipment on time. Currently, delivery of the filter plant has been pushed back to March 17, 2017. No work on the North Wellfield can be accomplished until the Wiegardt Wellfield has been brought online and approved by DOH.

North Wellfield Treatment Plant:

No progress on the North Wellfield project in January, 2017.

Emond Easement:

Mr. Emond has had the amended documents in his possession for more than 60 days. According to his consultant, Tom Frere, Mr. Emond is not returning his telephone calls. The last thing I heard was that Mr. Emond had forwarded the documents to his attorney for review. Mr. Emond's Attorney is on maternity leave.

New Office and Facilities Building Status:

Ryan Helligso has responded to all warranty issues. The District has received the Certificate of Payment of State Excise Tax from the Department of Revenue, the Certificate of Payment of Contribution, Penalties, & Interest from the Employment Security Department, and the Employer Liability Certificate from the Department of Labor and Industries. I have informed Ryan that the District will release retainage, less claims for liquidated damages after he executes the second addendum to the public works contract.

Loomis Lake Crossing Project:

We have submitted the Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application (JARPA). I have started the negotiations for an easement with Sunset Sands. Roger Taylor has agreed to meet with me in March, 2017.

End of Report

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February 27, 2017

RE: Retainage – New Office and Facilities Building Project

Dear Mr. Helligso,

The District has received the Certificate of Payment of State Excise Tax from the Department of Revenue, the Certificate of Payment of Contribution, Penalties, & Interest from the Employment Security Department, and the Employer Liability Certificate from the Department of Labor and Industries.

The last contractual obligation required before the District can release retainage, less claims, on the above identified project is execution of the Second Addendum to Public Works Contract Dated July 15, 2015.

I have enclosed two copies of the Addendum. Please sign both copies and return them to the District. The District will execute the Addendum and return one to you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

William Neal
General Manager

Cc: Board of Commissioners
Brent Dille, Bean Gentry, Wheeler, & Peternell, PLLC
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INTRODUCTION: The second milestone of the legislative session has been reached as all bills that cost money or raise revenues needed to be out of their fiscal committee by Feb 24th. Much of the action will now reside in the Rules Committees which controls which measures are placed on the floor calendar. The pace, a "floor action", will increase in both chambers.

The status of bills WASWD is closely monitoring is discussed below.

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES UPDATE:

WASWD Omnibus Bill: [HB 1187](#) and [SB 5119](#)

Last night, the Senate unanimously passed our Omnibus Bill. Thank you to Senator Takko for his leadership. Our bill now goes to the House with an uncertain future.

As reported before, the Speaker has a hold on our House Bill companion. He is requesting changes to our surplus property section. He wants public agencies to have the first chance to buy surplus property when sewer/water districts surplus property (real as opposed to personal property). We finally received the proposed amendment and had legal counsel review it carefully. The proposed amendment is problematic on several fronts. It could actually make it harder, not easier, to surplus property. If you want additional details, please let me know and I can send you our analysis.

We have made the decision that removing the surplus property section from our Omnibus Bill is necessary as the proposed amendment is not in our best interest. The revised bill would be limited to the issuance of warrants for smaller districts, water storage maintenance contracts, and pollution control facilities authority. An amended bill is easier said than done. We are reaching out to our House sponsor, Representative Gregerson to help us navigate our challenges in the House. What the Speaker will do once he is aware we want to strike the surplus property section of our bill is unknown. The bill could just die, they could amend the Senate bill inserting the Speaker's preferred surplus property language, pass it out of the House and send it to the Senate. At that point we could have it die in the Senate. Our preferred option is striking the surplus property section in the House and sending the bill back to the Senate for concurrence. Not sure that option is politically possible, but we are going to try.

Public Works Trust Fund: The Governor's budget has proposed transferring \$250 million out of the PWTF into the state general fund. It appears this transfer will happen and the focus is now on some type of bond-funded legislation trying to secure low interest rates for public borrowers. Key bills to watch are the following: [HB 1051](#) (DeBolt), [HB 1324](#) (OFM) and [HB 1677](#) (AWC). The challenge with some of these bills is the very broad list of eligible projects, designated funding for rural areas and priority for borrowers facing financial challenges. The biggest unknown is the effective interest rate to borrow money. Not sure it will be different than what many of our districts can borrow money for today. As this concept moves forward, it would be helpful to know what interest rates your district can borrow money in today's debt market. We



need to put pressure on our legislators to come up with a program that actually lowers our borrowing costs.

Water- Hirst Decision: The Senate early this week passed [2SSB 5239](#) with 28 yeas and 21 nays. This is very positive news. A Hirst fix has been a priority issue for the Senate. There has not been much activity on House Bill 1885. Those closely watching these bills believe the House is waiting for the Senate bill to come over. They will amend this bill and send it back to the Senate. There is some optimism that a Hirst fix may be possible.

Lead in Drinking Water: Thank you to all the districts that contacted your legislators on the bills dealing with lead. The expensive to implement lead bills did not make it out of their respective committees. [SB 5745](#) is the one bill that is moving forward. It requires a public water system to replace lead-containing service lines to schools and early childhood programs by 2020 and replace all other lead-containing service lines by 2030. The bill has been modified several times. It now contains a clear definition that a service line is consistent with past practices of what is owned by the utility and what is owned by the property owner. The "primarily composed of lead" provision is intended to exclude brass connections with some minor lead content. The remaining challenge is lead service lines must be replaced by 2030. WASWD member comments to date are in general support of this revised bill. Better stated – we can live with it. Some members are concerned that "primarily composed of lead" is a nebulous term and could be construed differently by regulatory personnel.

Public Records Act - [HB 1594](#) and [HB 1595](#): Both of these bills passed out of committee and are in the Rules Committee. HB 1594 was amended slightly for clarity purposes and to remove the mediation section of the bill. We are expecting an amendment that would require larger agencies to post the results of records requests on their websites. HB 1595 has a temporary hold on it. An amendment is forthcoming to slightly reduce the amounts that can be charged for electronic copies. Those watching these bills closely believe both bills have the votes if they are brought to the floor.

Homeless Lien Legislation - [HB 1570](#) and [SB 5254](#): WASWD is working on getting sewer & water districts exempted from the recording fee surcharge just like the state, county and cities are currently. In the Senate, we had an amendment adopted by the Local Government Committee and included in the substitute bill that unfortunately exempted us only to the filing of the lien and not the satisfaction of the lien. Senator Ann Rivers has agreed to offer an amendment in Ways & Means to correct this oversight. We have tried without success to amend [HB 1570](#). Our current strategy is get it amended in the Senate and fight to keep the amendment in when the Senate and House reconcile the bill.

Contractors Claim Bill – [SB 5788](#): You should have received from WASWD yesterday a memo regarding this bill. The sponsor of this bill believes public agencies have an upper hand on contractors regarding the processing of construction claims. We respectfully disagree. Claim clauses in public works construction contracts generally require contractors to follow specific notice requirements when seeking additional payment for extra work done or increased



expenses incurred. This bill would allow contractors after the job has been completed to file a claim. It is bad public policy. Apparently, this issue was debated in the 2007 legislature session and a bill ([ESHB 1765](#)) passed the House but never received a hearing in the Senate. The current bill sponsor wants our input if we could support the 2007- ESHB 1765 as a compromise. We need your input by tomorrow. The input we have received to date is to continue to oppose SB 5788 and the so-called 2007 compromise bill.

ACTION ALERTS: *Please be prepared to contact your legislators personally if you receive a WASWD Action Alert.*



2017 Session Cutoff Calendar

February 17, 2017	Last day to read in committee reports in house of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
February 24, 2017	Last day to read in committee reports from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in house of origin.
March 8, 2017	Last day to consider bills in house of origin (5 p.m.).
March 29, 2017	Last day to read in committee reports from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 4, 2016	Last day to read in opposite house committee reports from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
April 12, 2017*	Last day to consider opposite house bills (5 p.m.) (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session).
April 23, 2017	Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.
* After the 94th day, only initiatives, alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, matters that affect state revenue, messages pertaining to amendments, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session may be considered.	