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CALENDAR 2023

October

- 3 Management Advisory Committee Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
- 3 Finance Committee Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
- 10 Executive Committee Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
- 16 MWDSLS Work Session – 4:00 p.m.
- 16 MWDSLS Board Meeting – 4:30 p.m.
- 19 SCPUAB Meeting – 7:30 a.m.
- 26 SLCPUAC Meeting – 7:30 a.m.
- 26 PRWUA Board Meeting -10:00 a.m.
- 30 Utah Water Law Conference, Salt Lake City, UT

November

- 8-10 Utah Association of Special Districts Convention, Davis Conference Center, Layton
- 15 Engineering Committee Meeting - 10:00 a.m.
- 16 SCPUAB Meeting – 7:30 a.m.
- 30 PRWUA Board Meeting -10:00 a.m.

December

- 5 Environmental Committee Meeting - 10:00 a.m.
- 11 MWDSLS Work Session – 3:30 p.m.
- 11 MWDSLS Board Meeting – 4:30 p.m.
- 16 SCPUAB Meeting – 7:30 a.m.
- 13-15 Colorado River Water Users Association Conference, Las Vegas, NV

MWDSLS – Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy
PRWUA – Provo River Water Users Association
SLCPUAC – Salt Lake City Public Utilities Advisory Committee
SCPUAB – Sandy City Public Utilities Advisory Board

Last 10/9/23

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MWDSL Board of Trustees	
EVENT	TIME
Work Session	3:30 PM
Board Meeting	4:30 PM
May Public Hearing	6:00 PM
Management Advisory Committee	8:30 AM
Executive Committee	8:30 AM
Environmental Committee	10:00 AM
Engineering Committee *if needed	10:00 AM
Finance Committee	10:00 AM
Holidays	
EVENT	DATE
Utah Water Users Workshop - St. George, UT	Mar 20-22
AWWA National - Toronto, Canada	June 11-14
Intermountain Section AWWA - Layton	Sept 19-21
Utah Association of Special Districts - Layton	Nov 8-10
NWRA Annual Conference - San Antonio, TX	Nov 8-10
CRWUA - Las Vegas, NV	Dec 13-15

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THE METRO UPDATE

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Human Resources

Anniversaries

Mark Sarvela, Water System
Operator Lead - 15 years

Josh Croft, Accountant -
5 years

Covered parking for growing fleet

As the District's fleet increases, it has become imperative to provide additional covered parking for vehicles and equipment. Last year the District procured two metal buildings, one 40'x25'x15 and the other 60'x25'x15. Staff recently completed construction of these buildings. LED lighting was added to these buildings for safety and security. The lights come on with the street lights at night and continue during the early morning hours. The additional parking space has allowed vehicles to be relocated from the wash bay and lube bay, creating more workable space for staff.

Implemented Safety Suggestions

As part of the District's Safety Program, employees are encouraged to identify safety hazards and submit safety suggestions to the Safety Team. The Safety Team reviews these suggestions and sends them to management for approval. Once approved, suggestions are relayed to the applicable department to remedy the concern. Recently, the Maintenance department has addressed two suggestions: a slip hazard caused by water from the sample tap freezing over a vault, and a difficult-to-open hatch that is used daily. To prevent the slip hazard, staff relocated the sample tap to be flush into a gravel drainage area. To remedy the difficult hatch at 10MG reservoir, the hatch was removed completely and in its place a walk-in building with a door was constructed. A big thank you to everyone involved with these projects that make the District a safer place to work.





Turbidimeter at SLA intake

District staff installed a turbidimeter at the Salt Lake Aqueduct intake to monitor water quality at the dam. The increased turbidity stems from ongoing construction related to the Deer Creek Intake project. For the past three week ago, the turbidimeter has provided Operations staff as well as Provo River Water Users Association staff with water quality information at the dam. Any concerns have been communicated to the contractors via Association staff.

2023 AWWA Intermountain Section Annual Conference

Matt Tietje was awarded *Operator of the Year*, a well-earned accomplishment. A touching speech about Matt was written by Assistant Operations Manager, Nathan Scown and was read when Matt received his award.

Shawn Draney was also recognized at the conference with the *Award of Merit* – an award for people employed outside of the water profession who have “demonstrated outstanding service in support of the principles of the Intermountain Section of AWWA in providing better water for the people.” Shawn has dedicated 30 years of legal service to the water community in Utah and has served as legal counsel for the District since 1995.

We are so proud of our staff for all their hard work, diligence, and dedication – it’s wonderful to be represented by such amazing people and great to have them recognized.



Annalee Munsey presented at the conference. Joined by Jim Brooks from Central Utah Water Conservancy District, the pair discussed supervisor leadership skills using a fun Top Gun theme.



District staff recently attended the AWWA Intermountain Section Conference in Layton, UT. District operator Rikely Gonzales presented on troubleshooting a filter at the Little Cottonwood Water Treatment Plant. While conducting a filter media evaluation project, a mound of media was found in one of the filters. The filter was cleaned and used for a backwash to test, but the mound reappeared. When inspected again, a piece of caution tape was found wrapped on the nozzle. The tape was remove and when tested again, no mound of media reappeared. The filter was disinfected and cleaned, samples where tested by the Lab and there have been no further issues. A full recount of the project can be found in The Flow magazine’s spring issue (see screenshot below).

