

**TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
O & M COMMITTEE**

2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada
May 23, 2007
9:00 a.m.

Ray Peterson
Richard Harriman
Kate Rutan

Jerry Blodgett
Dave Overvold
Walter Winder

1. **Review Accident Incident Reports and Damage Claims**

There was an incident report from Howard King on 5/17/07 when he backed into a stump and caused damage to Truck #35.

Another incident was reported by Howard King on 5/13/07 when the N-T2 flooded Lucas road and the yard of Cody Biggs. The irrigator failed to shut the water off or notify ditchrider when he was done.

There was the incident report from Brian Baley on 5/16/07 regarding the A13 lateral being plugged with weeds when Bruce Corkhill turned over the water to Wes Washburn without turning down the head. The Ditch broke and flooded Gary Snow's pasture.

There was the incident report from Dave Greely on 5/16/07 regarding the L1-7-T11 lateral being left open and a pasture was flooded on Lazy Heart Lane.

Another incident report from Dave Greely on 5/15/07 regarding the LC3 at the head of the L6 being left open all night and the water went into a drain and eventually flooded Wadsworth's field of baled rye hay. No Damage Claim has been filed.

There was an incident report from Matt Maguire on 5/5/07 regarding the S7-2-T4 lateral when a gate was overlooked and water ran onto John Torviks field.

The last incident report was from Kelly Herwick when the mirror on Truck #26 was accidentally damaged and fell out while driving.

No Damage Claims were filed at the time of this meeting.

No Board action required.

2. **Review City of Fernley Crossing Applications for Mesa and Logan Lanes**

Rick Adams and Mike Hogan from V-Point were present to answer any questions and gain a better understanding of the application and approval process. Dave was able to answer the questions regarding the crossings at both Mesa and Logan Lanes. They were informed about the need to contact the BOR for approval of the crossings. After the BOR approved the crossings TCID would issue a permit.

The committee went into the field to look at the areas on Mesa Drive and Logan Lanes that will be affected by this application. The crossing on Mesa Drive is currently a piped culvert. The current policy requires a box culvert for lateral crossings.

No Board action is required.

3. **Review Gate Change Request for R3 – D. Weishaupt**

Walter informed the committee that the R3 gate was a jack gate and it has been changed to a screw gate at the request of Dana Weishaupt because he was afraid that his 80 year old father could not use the jack gate. Mr. Weishaupt actually wanted the motor from the gate on the R Line moved to the R3 to allow his father to open the gate. However, Walter said that was not an option so he changed the gate to a screw gate that is operated with a wheel. Mr. Weishaupt called and said that he would have to see how easy the screw gate was to operate before he would approve the change.

The committee felt that a jack gate would have been easier to operate for the senior Mr. Weishaupt rather than the wheel gate. It could work depending on the amount of travel that is required to move the gate up and down and the resistance of the wheel.

No Board action is required at this time.

4. **Review Easement Reduction on Piped Drain – Chisholm**

Back in 1995 the Board approved to pipe a portion of the Fernley #1 Drain that is located off Newlands Drive in Fernley. In the original plans for the piping the easement was to be reduced to twenty feet. However, the easement reduction was never approved for any amount of footage by the Board of Directors. Mr. Chisholm has applied to TCID and the BOR to reduce the easement over the piped drain. It is present policy to reduce easements over piped drains or laterals to 35 feet with 17.5 feet from the center line of the pipe on both sides.

The committee recommends approving the reduction of easement to 35 feet pending the approval of the BOR.

No Board action required till BOR approves.

5. **Review Crossing of Public Utilities on Mesa Drive – City of Fernley**

Mr. Eric Boyer from the City of Fernley Planning Department was present to answer any questions. Mr. Martin Ugalde arrived later in the morning to answer any questions the committee might have. The crossings were reviewed by the committee in the field. The individuals representing the City of Fernley were told that an application to the BOR must be approved before a permit will be issued by TCID.

The committee will approve the crossing and issue a permit after approval of the BOR is confirmed.

No Board action required.

6. **Review Application by TRC for CC Infrastructure Phase II**

An application for the Churchill County Sewage Treatment Plant for the sewer line that will go down Moody Lane was received. The committee reviewed the drawings and determined that the crossings that will cross TCID facilities will be accomplished by underground borings. It is unknown if the County has applied for approval from the BOR. Kate will verify BOR application.

No Board action required.

7. **Review Plan for New Takeout on TC2 Lateral – B. Baker**

Walter received a request from Bob Baker who lives at 690 Country Dr., Fernley for a new takeout off the TC2 lateral. The committee stated that he would need to fill out an application and pay his fees and submit an irrigation plan before the committee could recommend any action to the board.

8. **Review Stillwater Power Plant Request to Pump from Drain**

Committee chairman Ray Peterson was contacted by the Stillwater Power Plant asking what they would have to do to be able to pump out of the Paiute Drain for cooling purposes. Ray will call the Stillwater Power Plant to inform them of the steps necessary to be able to pump.

No Board action required.

9. **Review Alternate Takeout A9 for B. Smith**

Committee chairman Ray Peterson was contacted by Mr. Robert Smith regarding using an alternate takeout from the one he currently uses. It takes so long for the water to get to him he is concerned about the efficiency of the District. Walter stated that he has looked into using another takeout such as the A9. However, the O&M department is currently backed up on planned projects so the unplanned ones will have to wait a little longer.

The committee recommends that Walter submit a plan to improve the efficiency of water delivery for Mr. Smith and put it on the Agenda for Board approval.

Related Matters

10. **For Information Only- No Action Required**

Notices were mailed to six people that the V4 was being cleaned.

Letter mailed to Scott Dalton in Fernley. He has submitted two applications for two gates on the Truckee Canal. The letter explained that the District does not like having gates on the Truckee Canal as it hinders the operation and maintenance required. The District is will to try a compromise with an automatic gate. The approved automated gate operator was also enclosed in the letter to Mr. Dalton. Mr. Stinnett, who has just paid for the first automated gate will be a test as to the functionality of the gate.

Dave brought in the latest R O&M from the Bureau and it was reviewed by the committee.

In the Field

The first stop was the Perry Subdivision in Fernley. They were irrigating and the committee wanted to see how it was going. At the last meeting of the O&M Committee the coordinator for the subdivision came in and reported that he was having some problems with 3 people that are in the subdivision. Dave wrote them a letter reminding them that wasting the water affects more than just themselves. While there the committee noticed that there was water flowing across the Clover road to another field across the road, but were unable to determine how and who was watering.

While driving in Fernley the committee noticed an open section of the Fernley #1 Drain that appeared to be blocked by the railroad tracks. Dave talked to the property owner and explained his responsibilities.

The committee then went to the Truckee canal to look for an illegal stock pond that was reported in the RO&M. The trip along the Truckee Canal included a look at the site of the Fernley Ditch House, the new gate that is supposed to be automated, and checked for possible or pass seeps along the canal.

While in Fernley the committee looked at the Mesa Drive and Logan Lane area where the City of Fernley is piping water mains and public utilities.

The last stop on the way back to the yard was the A12 to check out the operation of the new measurement device that was installed. Director Larry Miller was irrigating at the time.

The committee meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Ray Peterson, Chairman

Date