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At the District Office: Friday, April 10th, at 9:00 am the District's infrastructure occupies 13.3 acres. Friday, May 8th, at 9:00 am Friday, June 12th, at 9:0 0 am **CHIPPING SERVICES AVAILABLE THIS SUMMER**

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AME WELL CONSTRUCTION PLANNED FOR THIS SUMMER

The District has one Capital Improvement Project planned for this summer: Construction of the AME (Alpine Meadows Well) 1 house and support facilities. The AME 1 well house replacement project will construct a new well house at the end of Beaver Dam Trail. The new well will pump at a nominal rate of 150 gallons per minute (gpm), with an emergency pumping capacity of up to 220 gpm. The well house is expected to be constructed with masonry block, with architectural variations to make it compatible with the neighborhood. The project has been coordinated with the adjacent property owners. The well house will consist of two rooms: a mechanical/electrical room and a separate chemical room for hypochlorite facilities. A connection for a portable standby generator with be provided for emergency operations.

INTERTIE BETWEEN PRESURE ZONES 1 AND 2 COMPLETED

The intertie between pressure zones 1 and 2 was completed late last fall. The project consisted of 1,140 linear feet of 8 "ductile iron pipe water line between Chalet Road and John Scott Trail. This intertie will provide "redundancy" in the water distribution system. This project will provide for a second water feed from the District's upper service zone 1 to service zone 2, which currently only had one intertie. This will provide additional assurance of water flow for domestic and fire flow in emergency conditions and routine maintenance.

Flower Walk - June 27th at Also included with the project was the replacement approximately 1,423 linear feet of 6" clay sewer line with new 8" PVC line. The clay sewer line in this area was approaching its life expectancy and has presented breakage and flow restriction issues in the past.

NEW SPECIAL USE PERMIT WITH THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE

After over two years of effort the District is in the final steps of renewing its Special Use Permit with the U S Forest Service. The existing three Special Use Permits with numerous amendments will be consolidated into a single new Special Use Permit. To prepare the new Special Use Permit application the District retained the services of Andregg Geomatics to map all existing water and sewer infrastructure. Three of the District's seven water supply wells and three of the District's six water storage tanks are located on U S Forest Service property. Just under six miles of water and sewer pipes are located on U S Forest Service property. In total

Fire Chief Schwartz reported that they had just received notice that chipping for Alpine Meadows will be available once again this year. The details of the grant and the program for this year are still being developed. Please watch the Districts' web page or contact the office in May or June.

PUBLIC OUTREACH - LAKE TAHOE TV CHANNEL 14 EVERY WED @ 7:00 A.M.

Fire Chief Schwartz also announced that the Fire District will be giving a brief presentation every Wednesday morning at 7:00 am on Lake Tahoe TV channel 14. Be sure to tune in.

ALPINE SPRINGS COMMUNITY PARK

Welcome to the 18th season of the Alpine Springs Community Park. Park facilities include two tennis courts, a fabulous swimming pond, volleyball court, grassy play area with picnic tables and gas barbeques. These amenities are well-maintained in our beautiful alpine setting. Season passes, day use passes, and family week passes are available at the District office, Monday through Friday. The park pass fees are as follows: Single User Day Pass - \$10; Family Week Pass - \$60; Family Day Use Pass - \$20; Family Season Pass - \$145. A refundable deposit of \$25 per pass card will be charged and returned upon receipt of the card. Only one card will be issued for each Family Season Pass.

Opening day for the Park has not been determined at this time so please check the District website at www.alpinesprings.org or call the office for additional information.

A Park Pass Application is attached. Please complete the application in full, including signing the application in the two designated places, and bring it to the District office with your check, payable to ASCWD, or mail in payment if you are a previous pass holder. The District now takes credit card payment. There is a 2.5% convenience fee for use of a credit card. Fees are included with the Park Pass Application and group use fees are on the District website at www.alpinesprings.org. If you have questions please call the District office at (530) 583-2342 x 3.

EASTER EGG HUNT - SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH AT 10:00 A.M. SHARP

ASCWD will hold its traditional Easter Egg Hunt for residents and guests on Saturday, April 4, 2015. The hunts, which will vary according to age, will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. in the Water District parking lot. (The hunts will be over quickly, so be on time.) Bring your own basket for collecting eggs and treats from the Easter Bunny. Dress for the weather, as this event will be held snow, rain or shine. We look forward to seeing old and new participants of all ages!

BIRD WALK - SATURDAY, JUNE 13th AT 8:00 A.M.

ASCWD will sponsor a Bird Walk on Saturday, June 13, 2015. The Bird Walk will be lead by Warren Bray, who has conducted the Bird Walk in previous years. The Bird Walk will start at 8:00 a.m.in the morning at the big tree at the corner of Snow Crest Road and Alpine Meadows Road. Dress for the occasion. Wear walking shoes with support. Wear insect repellant and bring your field glasses. Watch for last minute changes due to bird nesting condition. Contact Pam at the Water District office at (530) 583-2342 x-3, if you have questions

FLOWER WALK - SATURDAY, JUNE 7th AT 9:00 A.M.

This year ASCWD will sponsor a Flower Walk on Saturday, June 7, 2015. The walk will start at 9:00 a.m. from the Water District parking lot. The Flower Walk will be conducted by Michael Graf, author of "Plants of the Tahoe Basin." Dress for the occasion. Bring hats, water and walking shoes. Of course bring your camera. Contact Pam at the Water District for last minute changes due to weather or if you have questions. She can be reached at (530) 583-2342 x-3.

ALPINE MEADOWS BRIDGE PROJECT UPDATE

Placer County Department of Public Works was scheduled to replace the existing Alpine Meadows Road Bridge over the Truckee River with a new bridge this construction season. Construction is now planned for April 2015 to November 2015.

ANNUAL BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE CERTIFICATION

Backflow prevention devices are installed by a homeowner to protect the District's water supply distribution system from possible contamination from a source within the home or property. This could be anything from a hydronic heating system, fire sprinkler system or your landscape irrigation system. Under Ordinance 2-88, Alpine Springs County Water District requires that these devices be tested by an approved backflow tester on an annual basis. The results are then sent to the District's office. The District will send you a letter if you do not submit your annual inspection and test results to the District. Help the District keep our expenses down -- **mark your calendar** and don't forget your annual backflow prevention device test. A list of qualified testers can be supplied to you by calling or emailing the District office at 583-2342 ext 5 or buz@alpinesprings.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email.

REMINDER Keep the District informed of billing address changes. Annual bills will be coming out July 1, 2015, due by August 14, 2015 to avoid a 10% penalty. Yes, there is a Payment Plan available, contact the District Office, no later than August 14, 2015 to sign up.

