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> APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER



CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF SERVICE



This year, we would like to celebrate 60 years of service with you!

Cash SUD has grown significantly over the past 60 years. It all began in 1963 when Cash Water Supply Corporation was formed as a non-profit, member owned corporation under the rural water program of Farmers Home Administration. The original system served about 200 customers in the Cash community in Hunt County and purchased water from the City of Greenville. Water line upgrades and a new treatment plant on Lake Tawakoni were added in 1970 that allowed a capacity of 750 meters. A major construction project for a total of 8 million dollars between 1995 & 2000 provided for upgraded lines, additional elevated towers and pump stations as well as large additions and enhancement to the treatment plant. Cash WSC was converted to a Special Utility

District in 2003 as the District refinanced existing debt and kicked off another 4.2 million dollar construction project that provided for treatment plant & pump station improvements, new waterlines, installation of our current radio read meters, & our current Customer Service Center.

All these improvements have enabled the District to live true to our promise to provide safe, clean water to our growing community and many around us both now and in the future. We currently serve over 8,000 residential meters and provide water to the cities of Lone Oak and Quinlan.

Cash SUD Pay By Phone Number Is Changing To 903-487-4912 Effective Immediately



UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



Over the next five (5) years, the District will double all existing facilities and install several new transmission mains, too. The timing is right in line with our Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as the District comes to the end of system capacity from the last major expansion.

For the next few months, we will go through each project in some detail so our customers will know better what to expect if there are some service interruptions, and we will be describing how this construction will provide improved benefits to our customers.

This next round of construction and expansion will be funded by the sale of bonds; the first bonds will be sold this year, 2023, and the second round will be sold in 2025. The total construction costs are estimated between 18 - 20 million dollars, which is why the District is utilizing bonds to help offset the debt and time required for construction and debt service.

The **1st Phase** of projects will include the following:

- Fate Pump Station Rehab with New Ground Storage Tank
- New Union Valley Pump Station
- Dixon Transmission Waterline

The 2nd Phase of projects will include:

- New Quinlan Elevated Tower
- Treatment Plant #2
- New Raw Water Pump Station
- New Distribution Office

The District's inhouse construction will continue as well with waterline replacement projects. Most of these projects will be localized in existing subdivisions and/or along county roads. They will replace small water lines with larger ones, and most, but not all, will have fire hydrants installed if possible.

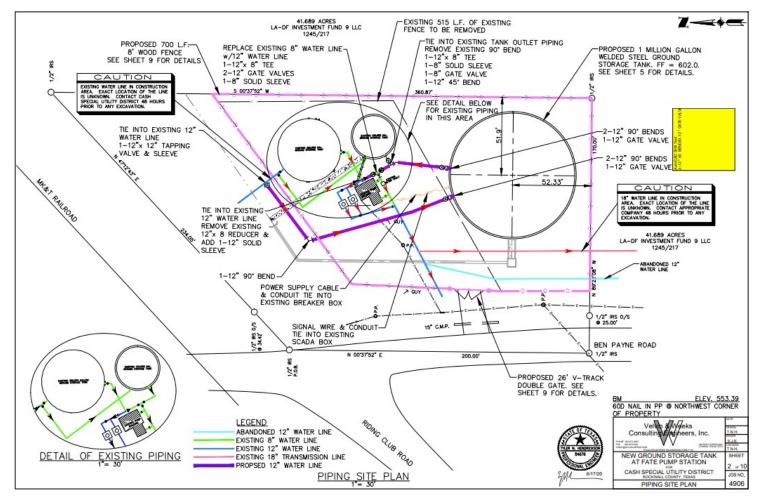




Fate Pump Station Improvements

Current facilities at this plant are 405,000 gallons of ground storage with a pumping capacity of 2000 gallons per minute (gpm). There is no emergency generator backup power and two (2) of the pumps are over 20 years old and need to be replaced.

The 200,000 gallon tank needs the interior framing structure replaced along with a new roof, and the cost to repair the tank far out weighs the benefit of keeping it in service. So, this tank will be demolished.



New construction at this site will include a one-million-gallon ground storage tank, new SCADA (*Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition*) controls, and a new metering station. The City of Fate is requiring the District to paint a mural on the new tank and build a masonry wall around the entire site.

The last component is a generator for backup power as power from the District's power providers has become unreliable in recent years.

Cost estimate for this project is \$2,500,000.00.







Cash SUD Board Member Spotlight



Micah Fry joined the Cash SUD Board of Directors in September 2022. Micah teaches agriculture at Bland ISD. He sees serving on the board of directors as a beneficial way to give back to the community.

With life long experience in agriculture, Micah brings an interesting perspective to the board. "I know and understand that water is the most important nutrient in raising livestock and crops, and its the foundation of human existence. We need to be aware of the water we use and how we use it to make sure that it is here for future generations."

We asked Micah what he has learned in his initial time on the board, he answered, "You need to have the right people in the right spot for things to run smoothly. Good leaders produce good followers that will in turn produce good future leaders; I believe we have outstanding leadership at Cash SUD. I have also been impressed with the extent of the Cash water system and how everyone is doing their best to produce a quality product for our customers." Micah stressed the importance of being prepared to provide water for growth in our community as well

as educating our customer to be water wise so everyone can help play a part in conserving water; doing both will help ensure Cash SUD will be able to provide water for current and future customers.

In his spare time, Micah enjoys spending time with his family & church. His family runs a small cow/calf & stocker operation as well as baling hay in the summer; they also enjoy traveling together.

Micah added, "I appreciate the opportunity to serve as a director for Cash SUD, and I hope that my service is beneficial to the district and our customers."

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