

ICR SANITARY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



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Having trouble accessing the ICRSD Website?

We have discovered that some people are using Google or other web browsers to access the ICRSD website. They apparently are entering "ICR Sanitary District", "ICRSD", "admin@icrsd.net" or some other words and letting the browser search for the ICRSD homepage. In most cases, the browser will list the ICRSD homepage as one of the choices. While this method works in most cases, it is not the most direct way to access the webpage. The best, quickest and most reliable method is to enter the website www.icrsd.net directly into the web browser's url window. It works every time.

Board of Directors:

Bob Hilb- Chairman
Brian Ray - Director
John Freeman - Director

Staff:

Bob Busch - District Manager
928-713-0548
Isabel Yribe - District Clerk

System Operator:

A Quality Water Company

Accounting & Bookkeeping:

MDI Financial Services, Inc.

Governing Board signs Bills of Sale

Bills of Sale for collection system infrastructure in Talking Rock and Whispering Canyon have been approved by the District Board. A Bill of Sale for \$4,388,590.68 for Talking Rock infrastructure was approved on October 29, 2012 and one for \$1,181,001.43 for infrastructure in Whispering Canyon was approved on February 28, 2013. The District now has ownership of all sanitary system infrastructure in the District, including the treatment plant.

Funds Transferred from Escrow Account

In accordance with the 2012 Revised & Restated Development Agreement, all funds that were previously held in an escrow account jointly controlled by the District and developers have now been transferred to a District account with Yavapai County. The account is restricted for use in expansion or capital improvement of the wastewater treatment plant. The account is controlled entirely by the District, which will be responsible for all decisions regarding timing, the amount and method of expansion of the plant. The account now has just over \$714,000. As new lots are sold by developers, an additional \$3,000+ per lot will be added to the account by the developer.

John Freeman appointed to Board

On February 28th, following the resignation of Director, Scott Robbins for personal reasons, John Freeman was unanimously appointed to fill the remaining term on the Governing Board. Mr. Freeman's term will expire in November of 2016.



District will serve future phases of Whispering Canyon



During its Public Meeting on February 28, 2013, the Governing Board approved signing Agreements to Serve new phases in Whispering Canyon. Phases 5 through 7 have been in the planning states by the developer for several years. The agreements were first presented to the District nearly 5 years ago. The agreements Commit the District to providing sewer service to the additional phases as they are constructed. Any expansion of the wastewater treatment plant that might be required will be the District's responsibility. Funds from the District's capital account will be used for plant expansion as required.

District seeks new Aquifer Protection Permit (APP)

The Governing Board approved a measure in February to submit an application for an Aquifer Protection Permit (APP) that will cover the existing wastewater treatment plant. Presently, the District is operating under a permit granted in 2010 for a completely new plant, utilizing different technology from the existing plant. The District no longer intends to construct the new plant. The present plant is operating well, and is operating at approximately 60% of capacity. At the present growth rate, it will be 5 to 8 years before additional capacity is needed. (*see chart on page 3.*)

As agreed to in a meeting with ADEQ in January, the District will re-submit the original application for the Santec plant, along with data required to officially close the "old" SBR plant constructed in 1997. The SBR plant has not been utilized since 2003. To see a report on the meeting with ADEQ and its implications, go to the District website; www.icrsd.net, click on "Presentation - Meeting with ADEQ & its Implications".

District Considering Upgrading Wastewater Treatment Plant

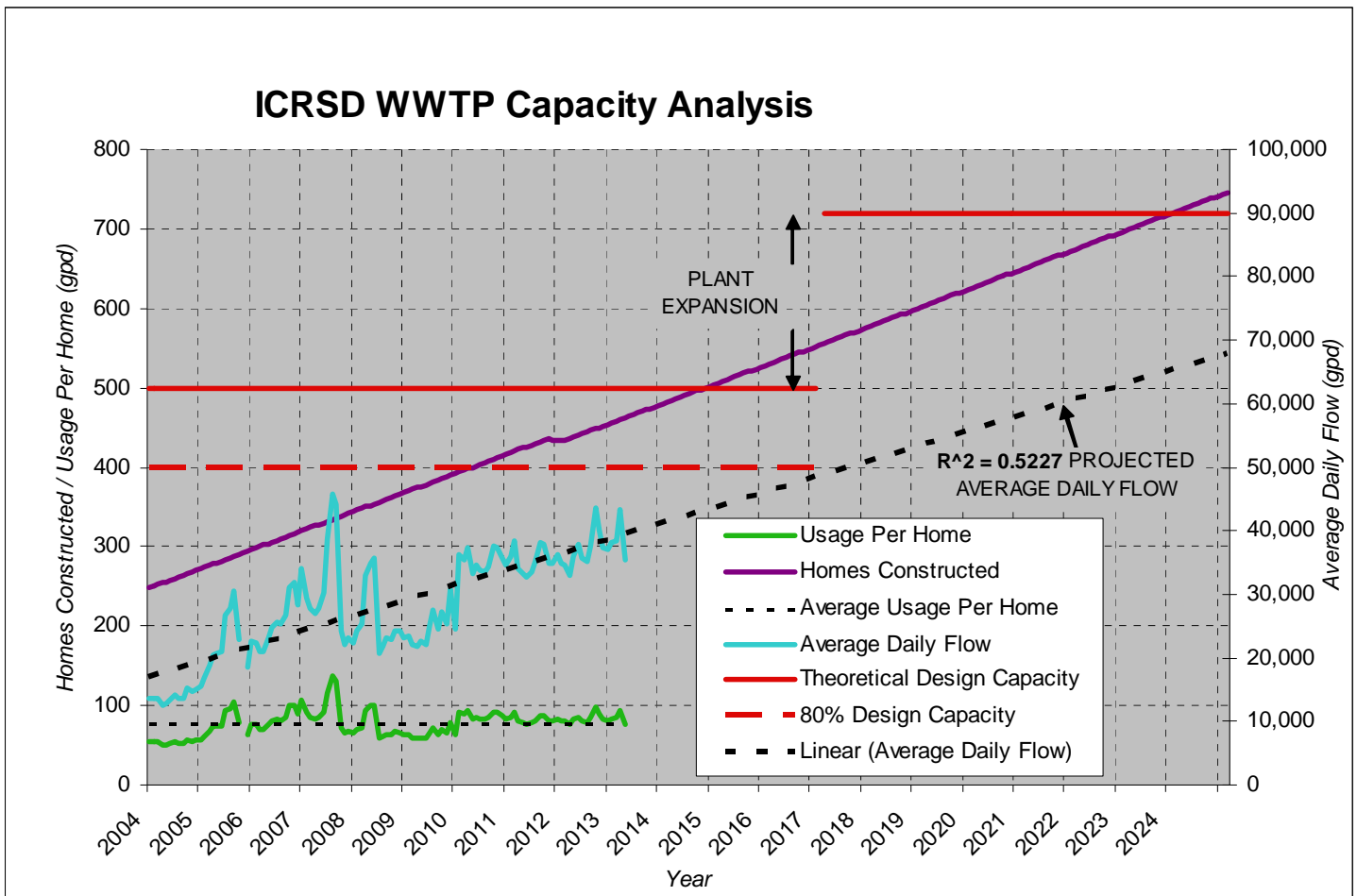
The Governing Board has authorized Granite Basin Engineering to issue a Request for Quote (RFQ) for upgrades and enhancements to the treatment plant. Under terms of the 2012 Amended & Restated Development Agreement, the District is to receive matching funds of up to \$150,000 from developers of Talking Rock and Whispering Canyon for upgrades and enhancements. The District hopes to receive innovative and creative solutions to improving the plant, ie, by lowering operating costs, or by improving efficiency that might increase the plant's capacity. Several qualified firms will be invited to respond to the RFQ. A selection committee will be appointed by the Governing Board to review the responses and make a recommendation to the Board. Depending on the nature of the enhancements decided upon, an amendment to the Aquifer Protection Permit (APP) might be required. If required, it could take up to 18 months to gain ADEQ approval of the APP amendment.

Bylaws, Rules and Policies adopted

The Governing Board adopted District Bylaws, Rules and Polices in October 2012, and a revision in February 2013. The document includes Board Bylaws covering Board powers, rules of procedure; District Rules, covering District and consumer responsibilities and all the policies for the District; Board powers, District responsibilities and customer responsibilities; and District Policies, covering employment matters. The document may be found on the District’s website: www.icrsd.net

Governing Board Meetings are open to the public. They are held at the Days Inn in Chino Valley. Check the calendar on the website www.icrsd.net for the next meeting. If you would like an email sent to you advising you of the meetings, sign up on the website on tab “Contact Us”.

The chart below shows the historical flows through the wastewater treatment plant since 2004. The plant is operating well below the design capacity of 62,500 gallons per day. Average daily flow for 2012 was approximately 37,000 gallons per day.



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