

# Reconstruction Committee Report June 15, 2019 Cathy Faughnan, Chairperson secretary@bigelkmeadows.org

**Committee Members:** Bobby Clevenger, Glenn Christensen, Paul Cyphers, Jim Lazzeri, Roy McCutchen and Melissa Bilobran (consultant). A Reconstruction Committee meeting was held on June 10, 2019

#### **Waterline Projects:**

The FEMA closeout is complete. Final reimbursement payment was received by BEMA in early June. Paul Cyphers will discuss this topic along with other reconstruction finances at the board meeting on June 15.

### **Mirror Dam Project:**

We continue to work with the Ackerman's to reach an acceptable resolution that will allow us to proceed with final closeout of PW316. A meeting has been schedule for June 14 and an update will be provided at the June 15<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. Progress is being made on a comprehensive approach resolving the outstanding issue associated with Mirror and Rainbow Dams. M. Bilobran is taking the lead on this project and is working on Rainbow first and will then focus on Mirror. M. Haney from the State is in agreement with this new approach. Attorneys/court have set Sept. 16-20 as trial dates if the current efforts do not result in an agreement.

Action Item – Continue to try to reach an acceptable agreement with the Ackerman's. If this is not possible, begin to prepare for court date (Sept. 16-20) – Bobby Clevenger, Melissa Bilobran, Cathy Faughnan

#### **Rainbow Dam Project:**

Status is the same as Mirror Dam, however Rainbow is being addressed first as it has more easily resolved issues.

#### Willow Dam Project:

Final Closeout of the Willow Lake Dam construction is complete and payment has been received from CDBGDR2-BEM-01. Design work for Willow Lake Dam was funded by FEMA and this reimbursement is part of PW316 closeout.

### Meadow Lake Dam Project:

Pay Application #8 for the month of May along with the certified payrolls are being worked on by Zak Dirt. A formal request for a time extension on this project of 60 days was sent to the State on June 05, 2019. Dam access road has been fortified so concrete crews and trucks can have access to the spillway area. Spillway wall construction has started and we are continuing to closely monitor the spring run-off.

## Flow Meter and Lower Flume: No change from last month

Big Elk Meadows has received a time extension from the State for this project that is scheduled to time out as of December 31, 2019. Flow meter, fiberglass flume structure and hatch lid for this project have arrived. Zak Dirt and currently waiting for spring run off to subside in order to start this project.

#### **Grants Administration Specialist:**

Melissa Bilobran (Mountain View Accounting) is providing assistance on the Meadow Lake Dam project, PW316 closeout, Riparian Restoration CDBG-DR Grant and the Aquatic Planting portion of this Grant. If Sunset Dam funding is confirmed, M. Bilobran will assist with documentation for that project.



#### **Reconstruction Financial Reporting**

Progress is being made on to reconcile the Reconstruction Financial reporting and tax filing with the assistance of Clausen and Associates CPA.

#### **Sunset Lake Dam Project:**

As previously reported, Boulder County Collaborative has conditionally granted \$400,000 for the reconstruction of Sunset Lake Dam/Road. BEMA has written a letter asking for an additional \$445,042 from the State CDBG-DR funds to cover the total estimated cost of the Dam but as of today has not received a response. If additional funding is not granted, BEMA is researching the best approach to fund the balance of the project. The Board (in an email vote) has approved GEI moving forward with the design for Sunset Dam in anticipation that funding for the project will be confirmed. Construction is anticipated to begin in the fall of 2019 for completion by July 2020. Candidates for Project Management are being considered.

Action Item – Determine what methods of funding resources would be needed if the grant funding failed, such as a larger loan balance, increase in dues, etc.

### Rainbow Bridge

Once it is clear if additional funding is available for Sunset Dam, BEMA may request funding from the State for the Rainbow Bridge Crossing to provide secondary egress during the potential reconstruction of the dam/roadway at Sunset. Funding is also be perused from Larimer County. A secondary egress is critical and the Reconstruction Committee is working with the VFD to ensure a satisfactory solution is in place.

Action Item – If appropriate (see Sunset above), prepare letter to the State and/or Larimer County, asking for funding for Rainbow Bridge (originally in PW316 but removed due to additional dam construction costs). If no funding is granted, and if deemed appropriate, potentially include the cost of Rainbow Crossing along with Sunset Dam in a vote of the membership.

#### **Riparian/Lake Restoration:**

**Willow Grading:** No change from last month

NeZhoni has been paid in full and Big Elk Meadows has received an Unconditional Lien Waiver by NeZhoni. This project has now been submitted for reimbursement and closeout processing by the State. State has identified several items that need to be addressed and corrected in order to complete this closeout process. Melissa will help Paul with the required documentation on this project. Paul Cyphers will be reaching out this week to start to resolve outstanding issues.

Action Item - Working with the State on these open NeZhoni items - Paul Cyphers, Melissa Bilobran

Rainbow, Mirror, Meadow, Sunset Grading: No change from last month

Final closeout paperwork for Zak Dirt's work on Rainbow, Mirror, Meadow, and Sunset grading project has been uploaded into EMGrants. We received a check from the State in the amount of \$151,574.70 for reimbursement of Pay Apps 4 & 5. This portion of the process is complete and full closeout will proceed when NeZhoni is resolved and Aquatic Planting is complete.

# **Aquatic Planting for Riparian/Lake Restoration:**

Procurement for installation of aquatic plants is complete with three companies placing bids. After reviewing all bids the Reconstruction Committee has identified Alo Terra as the lowest qualified bidder and has prepared a contract and notice of award. The deadline for completing the aquatic planting has been extended to September 1, 2019 and a change order rectifying outstanding work items preformed by Biohabitats has been submitted to the State. Two bids were received from plant providers and Water's Edge has been selected. The majority of plants will be available on June 30. Bid package for plant installation is being prepared with results available by mid June.

Action Item -Board Vote to sign contract with Alo Terra for installation of Aquatic Plants in 2 phases beginning July 1.