



**Reconstruction Committee Report**  
**July 18, 2020**  
**Cathy Faughnan, Chairwoman**  
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**Committee Members:** Cathy Faughnan as Chairwoman and Members as Bobby Clevenger, Glenn Christensen, Paul Cyphers, Roy McCutchen, Jeana Krause, Scott Johnstone (PM) and Melissa Bilobran (Mountain View Accounting - MVA).

**Rainbow Bridge Project:**

Rainbow Bridge is complete and open for use as of March 10, 2020. All Punch list items are complete

- **Action Item –Awaiting final invoice from L4. - S. Johnstone**

**Sunset Lake Dam Project:**

Sunset Dam is substantially complete, and the majority of punch list items have been addressed. As per the as-builts, additional fill was needed to bring the dam to the designed height which was completed in early July. The head-gate was also installed in early July and a leak was detected which has since been addressed. The gate was tested at 90% submersion and a second test is preferred prior to releasing retainage to L4. The staff gauge needs to be adjusted and resolution on final quantities of imported fill are being reviewed. As per the Water Rights Committee, the lake will not be filled until we are in priority.

Pay Apps for #1 - #4 have been successfully submitted to Boulder County for reimbursement up to the \$400,000 amount of the grant. To date, Boulder County has reimbursed BEMA \$379,079.77. That will leave a total owed to BEMA of \$20,920 which will be paid prior to close out. Pay Apps #5 - #7 have been completed and are not required to be submitted to Boulder County as they are being funded by BEMA. It is anticipated that Pay App. #8 will include the installation of the head-gate, potential change order for additional fill material, final punch list items and retainage. Close out will then be completed prior to the Sept. 30 deadline.

- **Action Item –Punch list items and final fill amounts to be determined prior to release of retainage – PM Johnstone**
- **Action Item – Final close out (Sept. 30 deadline) of project upon completion of the above - PM Johnstone and M. Bilobran**
- **Action Item – Lake Fill plan as per Water Rights Committee – Karl Davis**

**Riparian/Lake Restoration Project:**

**Willow Grading:** The State DHSEM approved all documentation regarding Nezhoni and reimbursed BEMA \$59,360 on May 21, 2020. – Waiting for final grant Closeout.

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

AloTerra installed plants provided by Aquatic and Wetland Nurseries June 1-3 in Meadow, Rainbow, Willow and Mirror completing Phase II Planting. Photos were taken of all the lakes and MVA has submitted the Riparian Restoration Grant. To date there has not been movement on final close out of the grant at the State Level. A reminder email was sent July 14 and an extension may be needed due to the lack of movement at the State level.

- **Action Item –Finalize close out of Riparian Restoration Grant - C. Faughnan, M. Bilobran**

**Rainbow, Mirror, Meadow, Sunset Grading:** No change from last month. All documentation has been uploaded into EMGrants and we are awaiting final close out of this grant.

**Dam Maintenance:** Ryan Ross of Running R, LLC serviced the dams on July 9, 2020. He will return in a couple of weeks to follow up. A report of the services along with photos will be sent to John Batka.

- **Action Item – Continue actions correcting Dam Maintenance concerns – Operations – Paul Flanagan**



### **Larimer County Road 47:**

Environmental clearances with FEMA, US Forest Service and Fish & Wildlife have created delays. Some progress is being made with these reviews, but final review/approval may not be completed until late fall of this year (2020).

- **Action Item – Continue to monitor progress with FEMA, Larimer County and US Forest Service. - G. Christensen**

### **Grants Administration Specialist :**

M. Bilobran (Mountain View Accounting) has provided bi-weekly updates as to the progress of various projects. MVA will continue to assist the BEMA Board and Reconstruction Committee through closeout of Sunset and Riparian Restoration Grants and Audit process.

### **Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) Loan:**

The process of transitioning the CWCB Loan from a short term loan to a long term loan as required by the loan documents on Feb. 2020 has begun with the first payment being due Feb. 2021. This was taken into consideration when creating the BEMA 2020-2021 budget. Final costs of Sunset Dam and cash flow are being considered in finalizing the loan amount.

### **Reconstruction Financial Reporting :**

The reconstruction and finance committee along with M. Bilobran and Clausen & Associates CPA are working to resolve all accounting documentation in preparation for tax filing for BEMA. All BEMA accounts have been reconciled and BEWA accounts are currently being reviewed. Audits are required for FY 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 as BEMA expended more than \$750K in federal funds in each fiscal year (Riparian, Meadow and Sunset projects) Audits will be done simultaneously in July/August 2020.

- **Action Item – B. Clevenger, P. Cyphers, M. Bilobran and B. Clausen work to resolve accounting issues, prepare tax filings and undertake audits.**

### **Waterline Projects:**

The Finance Committee is working on financial reconciliation and capitalization of the Waterline Project prior to closing out the BEWA Reconstruction accounts and Association. Progress is being made. The Reconstruction accounts are balanced and completed, and assets are updated. Need to complete the financial tasks with Barb Clausen.

### **Rainbow and Mirror Dam Projects PW316:** No change from last month

Closeout was submitted to DHSEM (for FEMA) on November 21, 2019. DHSEM has reviewed our application and has released an interim payment on PW 316 in the amount of \$482,920.41. This will bring the payments up to 90% of the obligated Federal Share. The remaining 10% will be retained until FEMA officially closes the project. Review of the project is currently at Step 6 - Supervisor Approval where it has been for 133 days.

- **Action Item – Answer any questions regarding the submittal from DHSEM if needed – M. Bilobran and Reconstruction Committee**

### **Willow Dam Project:** - No change from last month

Final Closeout of the Willow Lake Dam construction is complete, and payment has been received from CDBGDR2-BEM-01. Willow Lake Dam was also funded by FEMA and these costs were submitted as part of the PW316 closeout.

### **Meadow Lake Dam Project:** - Complete

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

Installation of Flow Meter in Meadow Lake Dam and construction of the Lower Flume are complete. The DEF Grant for this project was submitted for closeout on Jan. 13, 2020 and final reimbursement has been received and close out is anticipated shortly.

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