



Commissioner's Meeting September 15, 2025

MANAGERS' REPORT BY TIM BERGER

Water Reclamation Facility

- Congratulations to the WRF team for outstanding plant operations for the year 2024 from DOE. The SunLand plant was near the top out of +300 treatment plants statewide.
- 8/26/25 – Willy, Rich and Pat cleaned the spray field water basin.
- Working on 2026 budget items.
- Underground conduits are in place for the new building.
- Permits for the new building should be completed within 2 weeks, per Katherine at PermaBilt.

Water

- The SunLand Water District was the winner of the Evergreen Rural Water of Washington "Best Tasting Water in Washington" at the 2025 Fall Conference & Tradeshow in Kennewick, WA. The Lower Reservoir placed #1 and the Upper Reservoir placed #2. Now off to compete nationwide in the Great American Water Taste Test at the National Convention to be held in Washington D.C. in February 2026.
- The water crew removed large tree roots from 3 of 5 separate locations in Division 17 as service lines were close to being compromised.
- 08/25/25 – 08/28/25 Rocky Burbank and Joe Beeson attended the Washington Rural Water Fall Conference in the Tri Cities. David Gardner concurrently attended apprenticeship training.
- Scott Garner and Joe Beeson are working on raising meter boxes that are too low.
- 9/4/25 – John Anzalotti and 16 CERT Team 4 members were onsite at the SWD for emergency water distribution training at the lower reservoir.
- The staff are working on 2026 budget items.
- All ten (10) downed trees at the Upper Reservoir were removed and the reservoir perimeter cleaned.
- A Reciprocal Maintenance Agreement with the City of Sequim is now in place.



- 09/02/25 – Rocky is working on a customer reported service line leak (our side of the meter) at 135 Sunrise View. Water loss was estimated at 8-10 gallons per minute (13,000 gallons per day). The roots of a large tree which had been planted directly over our service line caused the break. A temporary bypass repair was made to stop the leak. The District is working with all involved parties regarding a permanent solution.
- Water loss for the month was 7%, probably due to the leak on Sunrise View Drive.