

UPPER LITTLE WARM SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

REPORT TO ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

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Tests of water quality were performed during the peak use months of June and July. The first test gave negative results, that is they indicated the presence of harmful bacteria. It was suspected that the results were due to imperfect technique practiced while obtaining the sample. Four new samples were taken, one from the main between the collector and the lower(first) storage tank, one from the main below the upper tank(where the negative sample was taken and two samples were taken from the main serviced by the lower storage tank. All samples proved acceptable. The EPA has been informed of these events.

The number of full time residents has increased to a level where a more demanding schedule of water testing will probably be required by the EPA. Expenses and time required from board members will increase. Time requirements may be more than can be asked of volunteers.

We experienced a period of low flow rates in August this year. This can be attributed to the increase in residences and the use of water for other than domestic purposes. In particular, the watering of lawns and other plants probably placed undue demands on our water supply. The Water Board has adopted a policy of placing domestic use in priority over irrigation.

The water system was apparently designed for about 80 hook ups. We have just issued the 59th certificate for hook up and experienced a low flow period. The estimate of service for 80 may have been optimistic. In light of this, the current policy of the Water Board is that hookup certificates will be issued for all the original subdivision lots and currently subdivided lots. Newly subdivided lots will be denied water certificates and permission to tap our mains until our water system is properly examined and necessary improvements completed.

The Water Board is in the process of obtaining State assistance with the review, assessment and planning needed to assure reasonable service to Water District members. This assistance will include technical review of the system and the possible application of grant monies and planning for expanded capabilities.

Any grant money will require matching funds. The board currently has about \$6,000. We have been receiving about \$2,350 a year from the 8 mil levy we are all assessed. Under current policy we have about 21 \$1,500 water certificates to sell. This money comes in sporadically. After consultation with the Wyoming Water Development Commission the Water Board will consult with the Association Board about any funds needed to match grant dollars.