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Introducing GFCSD's New General Manager

The Grizzly Flats Community Services District Board of Directors would like to announce that they have hired Jodi Lauther as the new GFCSD General Manager.

Jodi has worked for the District since July 2007. She has held many hats for the District including: Office Manager, Board Secretary, Bookkeeping/Accounting, Human Resources, Risk Management, and much more. Jodi obtained her Water Treatment Operator License in 2010 and will obtain her distribution license soon. She is a lifelong resident of El Dorado County and has lived in Grizzly Flats with her family for eight years. Jodi is invested in the community of Grizzly Flats and has organized and participated in many fundraisers and events. She is excited for this new challenge and was honored to be selected by the Board to fill the General Manager position.

In addition, the District has undergone some reorganization:

Leo Rainwater was promoted to "Water System Manager". Leo has worked for the District since August 2007 and has been an integral part of upgrading the District's water treatment and distribution operations.

Kim Gustafson was promoted to "Office Facilitator". She has worked for the District since December 2008 and is the friendly voice many of you speak to when you call the office looking for information. She will have increased responsibility within our office, but will continue to offer our customers excellent service!

In addition, at the last regular meeting (July 9, 2012) Robert Ball was named to fill the Board position, recently vacated by Mel Kelley. Robert will serve until the next regularly scheduled election for our District in 2013. *Welcome to the Board Robert!*

Water System Improvement Project (WSIP)

With just a few items left to complete the Water System Improvement Project is basically complete. The water distribution system was upgraded to include a new 12" water line taking water out to the system, six new fire hydrants, a backflow meter and several parallel lines to increase system reliability. We also re-compacted the raw water reservoir berm and installed a liner to reduce water loss from seepage. It was estimated that we lost 35 acre feet per year from seepage...over 11 million gallons!

GFCSD's Water Supply

The good news is that the reservoir is currently full and spilling. The bad news is the flows in our streams are decreasing as the weather gets hotter! *Over the weekend of July 24, 25 & 26th, the District's water treatment was over <u>205,000</u> gallons per day! This is an unusually high amount of water for our community. Although, we are out of conservation stages, please be aware of your water use. If you see or hear signs of possible leaks (strange puddles of water, water seeping in or next to the road, unusual sound of running water), please call our office and report it so we can investigate.*

**Also enclosed with your water bill this month is the signup sheet for the annual Grizzly Flats Clean Up Day (September 22nd)! Please read it carefully and send in your application with your next water payment.

In 1908, Jersey City, New Jersey and Chicago, Illinois were the first water supplies to be chlorinated in the United States. The water was treated for color and taste issues. In the 1950's scientists began to suspect that water might carry diseases. The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) of 1974 represents the first time that public drinking water supplies were protected on a federal (national) level in the United States. Amendments were made to the SDWA in 1986 and 1996. We have very clean water, but still use chlorination to disinfect and make it safe for you to drink!