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Pipe Bridge logjam. We are waiting on the final approval from the Cavalier Corp for access to their property. However, the emergency permitting has run out so we need to renew a some of the permitting. And since the rains of last week have caused the creek to become wet and the muddy, it will not be possible to stage the removal until things dry out a bit.

We engaged Precision Construction Services to provide us with repair or replace costs of the Pico Stairway as required by the Coastal Commission. I received the Precision report last week. Their estimate for repair of the Pico Stairs is $317,000, estimated cost for replacement is $497,000. The question that must be asked is does the Coastal Commission have the authority to require the district to do either since our funds are required to be spent on water, sewer, roads and weed abatement.

The reorg committee has an online Teams meeting with County leadership tomorrow, December 6.

I have asked the welding company previously engaged with repair of the pipe bridge to come do an annual inspection.

I have asked FRM to provide a list of the water meters that need replacement. So far they have identified over a dozen meters. We are working with FRM to triage the most important meters and the cost for their replacement. Since meters represent our income, this is our highest priority currently.

I had a conversation with Ken Jarrett at Stillwater Science regarding their report. They are currently completing the report on the Pico Creek riparian environment that the Coastal Commission requested last summer.

Ken pointed out that Stillwater and the Akel Report were requested following the approval and publication of the 2018 North Coast Area Plan by the County that that includes the Instream flow study for Pico Cr and the building moratorium.

That plan stated:

***Water Use.****Within three years of adoption of this Plan, an instream flow management plan for Pico Creek shall be completed by the SSCSD and approved by the County. The plan shall identify a specific amount of new development, withdrawals for which will not adversely affect riparian and wetland habitat or agricultural activities.*

*If three years after the adoption of this Plan the study has not yet been approved by the County, no further development or land division which relies on water from Pico Creek shall be approved.*

As identified, that update by the district would have been due March 1, 2021. The district did not respond.

Ken further stated that should the district now want to respond to the NCAP we would need to have both agencies completely update their reports.

I have been unsuccessful in talking with Tony Akel, after several tries.

We now have ten street lamps out in San Simeon, five along Castillo, three on Hearst, one on San Simeon Dr, one on Balboa . They have all been reported to PG&E.