



ENTRANOSA WATER NEWS

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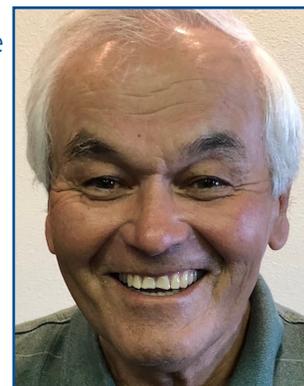
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FROM YOUR WATER AND WASTEWATER ASSOCIATION

2022

Keeping Entranosa in the Black

As your new Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee on the Entranosa Board of Directors, it will be my responsibility to highlight financial activities and information to our membership. I follow the old adage that to best understand an organization and its operations look to the numbers. The Board's most important task at the beginning of the year has been to formulate the 2022 budget. This has been a particular challenge this year due to the highest inflation rate in 40 years, the supply chain crisis and uncertainty of the duration of impacts on our financial resources. We are projecting an 8% increase in our cost of operations along with a 1.5% increase in annual revenue. It should come as no surprise that we are looking at an increase in water rates. In approving the 2022 annual budget this month the Board has also acted on a 6% increase to member water rates and increases in commercial bulk rates. Additionally, in an effort to absorb cost increases we will curtail buying high priced materials such as pipe until prices hopefully stabilize as well as extend some of our capital project plans further out. Our emphasis is to limit price increases to the greatest extent possible on our members while keeping operations at sustainable levels. I hope this gives you a sense of the challenges facing us and we ask for your support. I and the Board wish to hear your questions and comments for future reports that will increase your appreciation and understanding of your association.

by Rob Baracker



Life Span of Technology

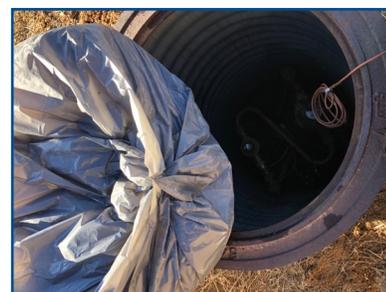
Entranosa's older 2G and 3G cell meter transmitters are slowly turning into "senior citizens." Entranosa was recently notified that more meters will not work due to outdated technology starting in 2023. The only consolation is the manufacturers are offering a 60% discount on the transmitters. The cost they are offering does not include the labor costs to replace them, however. Entranosa will inform members if their meter transmitters are on the list to be replaced.



Replacement cell transmitter

Don't Mess with Meters!

This winter, Entranosa crews have been busy with frozen meters. Most of the freeze problem result from members leaving their meter can lids off or removing the insulation blanket. This additional insulation is critical. If you do get into your meter can, please replace the insulation blanket so there are no gaps around the can edges. We also recommend when temperatures are in the low digits, let an indoor facet drip to keep the water flowing.



Replace Can Insulation

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Monday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

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Entranosa is an equal-opportunity employer.

- ◇ **Reliably supply quality drinking water at a reasonable price to our membership, such that the Association is self-sustaining**
- ◇ **Promote water conservation**
- ◇ **Provide leadership for our Community concerning water and wastewater issues**
- ◇ **Protect our ground water resources through environmentally responsible business practices**
- ◇ **Pursue water & wastewater service opportunities in the East Mountain and Estancia Basin Regions**

**ENTRANOSA'S
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- ◆ **Water Hardness Reading as of 1/26/22 15 grains** ◆
- ◆ **Average Water Usage: Feb. 4,404 gallons; Jan. 4,542; gallons** ◆

Delivered at Last—Booster Equipment!

Like the rest of the United States, Entranosa has experienced significant challenges receiving critical equipment. Case in point— the third pump for the Frost Road booster station. Recently this crucial equipment was delivered and installed.

Like the rest of the United States,



Left, New Pump Installed



Electrical Circuitry Ready to Go



Pipes Deliver water to System

Surplus Property for Sale

Entranosa has a 2002 DW FX30 Hydro Excavator with 1,915 hours. The minimum bid is \$14,000. Bids are due on March 21th. Please call the Entranosa office at 505-281-8700 for an appointment to inspect the equipment.

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Please Replace Meter Can Lids

Please help Entranosa's field staff keep up with our labor costs. Stay out of your meter can. If you must enter your meter for any reason, please remember to replace the lid securely. Another example of leaving their meter can open.

Please help Entranosa's field

Another open can...



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