General Manager's Report

January 7, 2008

Agenda Item VI

A. **Laboratory Testing:** Water quality tests confirm that all SSWD water meets all known State and Federal water quality standards.

B. **HWY 116 Cal Trans Project:** Cal trans has contracted with the District to relocate our mains in the Monte Rio area at the corner of Bohemian Hwy and 116. They are installing a new storm drain, and our mainline conflicts with their installation. Cal Trans will be responsible for the total cost of this project. We have now signed a Utility Agreement with Cal Trans, and we are waiting for the Contractor to begin work.

C. **County Project:** We recently became aware of a County project to replace a half bridge in the Mesa Grande Terrace area, and had failed to inform us of the fact. An investigation on our part revealed that they were planning on driving piling right through our 8" water mains. The resulting leak would have resulted in several relocated homes on Moscow Road. I have been in close contact with County Staff, and they admit that they dropped the ball and failed to notify us. This bridge is being replaced by FEMA as a result of the flood of 05-06, and FEMA has agreed to relocate our lines also as a part of the project. An excellent job was done by both the Field, and Office Staff, it was our efforts that secured the FEMA funding, not the County's.
As an update, we have now installed a 4" bypass line, and after the County has completed their repairs, we will install all new ductile iron mains, and hang the new line off of the new bridge.

D. **Out of Office:** I will be out of the office 1-7-08 through? -08.

E. **Water Sales:** As you can see by the report of water sales, we are not having a good year, and are below budget for income. We are presently running very close to 05-06, which were the lowest sales reported since 00-01. Luckily we are ahead of budget in other categories, so at this point I do not anticipate changing the budget. I will keep the Board informed in coming months.