

Water District Seeks Federal Storm Aid

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District late Monday afternoon filed an application for \$2,024,250 in federal funds to repair damage to the water system caused by the Jan. 4 storm.

If the money is granted from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Water District Manager Ed Steffani said \$206,000 would go for the clearing debris from waterways, \$224,000 would go for emergency measures such as the installation of temporary water lines and \$1,594,250 would be for permanent repairs.

While most of the debris clearing and emergency measures already have been done through the use of district funds, Steffani said that most of the permanent repair work won't be done unless the federal money is received.

Some of the major permanent repair jobs include the \$100,000 already spent from the district's budget to repair slide damage under the Big Con Reservoir.

Funds being requested for permanent repair work that still needs to be done include \$213,000 for the Peavine Creek supply line, \$159,000 for the Foreman Creek supply line, \$270,000 for the Clear Creek supply line, \$50,000 for the Sweetwater Creek supply line, \$87,000 for the Earl Manson spring and supply pipeline and access road, \$69,000 to replace mains on Clear Creek Road, \$33,000 to replace mains on Hubbard Gulch Road and restoration of a number of creek and river crossings at \$30,000 each.

The district also has requested \$200,000 to finance a method of disposing treated wastewater at the Bear Creek Estates subdivision near Boulder Creek.

The spray field where treated wastewater was sprayed over a large area was destroyed in the storm. The district currently has permission from the state to dispose of the treated wastewater directly into Bear Creek, but this special permission expires in April.

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