MANAGERS UPDATE Joe DeCerbo May 31, 2023

FY '24 BUDGET: The first draft of the budget is enclosed in your Packets, along with a briefing that explains the process. If you have any questions or concerns that need to be answered prior to the meeting, please contact me or Diane. After discussion, a second draft will be prepared for the July meeting and that draft will have the projected assessments for FY '24.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY: The County Administrator has informed me that both the Fire/EMS facility, and the land donation next to the ECO Park is moving forward. As soon as more information is available it will be shared with our residents.

CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS: I have been in communication with the SLPA and together we are going to take a firmer stand on the lack of dumpsters and portable toilets on job sites. The SLPA has developed a forceful notice to give to builders, and we are making copies to give builders when they come in for their water meters. We are supported by a County Land Development Regulation that has a \$550 fine for violators. Several builders are violating requirements and debris is being scattered all over the area. Our thanks to SLPA for their help.

FIELD PROJECTS: Attached is the updated list provided by Randy and Israel.

THE BREEZE: The June issue, which will contain the annual Water Report, will be mailed within the next several weeks.

WEBSITE: Email blasts continue to have a very high open rate, well above the average. We have 1,326 subscribers for all news and updates; 405 wastewater subscribers; 136 Pinedale Estates subscribers; and 191 Festival Vendors.

<u>PICKLEBALL COURTS</u>: It does not look like we will be opening the Pickleball Courts until later in June; the County asphalt team is still behind schedule. A Resolution will be presented with all the additional costs associated with the construction.

LOT MOWING: One of our lot mowers has resigned, and we are advertising for a "seasonal" worker through November. No firm decision on future hiring plans for this position until Israel presents his strategy for our future work force.