

City of McCleary
STAFF REPORT



To:	Mayor Miller and City Council
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Department:	Water and Wastewater

Wastewater:

The last 7 days of February we had 4.5 inches of rain. Unfortunately, it exposed a longstanding leak in the walls in building F. That building houses process control, high voltage power and effluent control. We have received 1 quote for the roof repair only. This week we have a company coming out to test for asbestos and black mold in the walls. At least one interior wall will have to be replaced, the 2x4's are rotted. This rain brought hundreds of thousands of gallons of rainwater into the treatment plant. All those extra gallons cost to treat.

We are still waiting to hear from Ecology as to whether we receive the grant to locate all the problems in our sewer system.

After we locate all the problems that are causing all the rainwater and groundwater to come in, we will then apply for a grant to fix the problems.

FYI, we have in the files a letter dating from 1966 regarding this problem.

In the city many of the lift stations are getting to a stage where replacements need to be made. On the lift station control panels, the parts are not available anymore. One lift station the pumps are wearing out and the pumps are no longer made, we cannot get parts for repairs. If we wait too long to replace the electronics and the pumps, we may end up like we did with evergreen lift station and end up paying to have the lift station pumped. The lead time on lift station control panels is 4 to 6 months.

Also, the ethernet cable between wellhouses 2 & 3 needs to be replaced.

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