

City of McCleary **STAFF REPORT**

To:	Mayor Miller and City Councilmembers
From:	Chad Bedlington, Director of Public Works
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Department:	Public Works Administration

<u>Website</u>

Staff is currently making efforts to get a "go live" date set for the new website launch. Once a date is set in the coming weeks, City Council will be updated on its progress until the website is up and active.

Aquifer Study

Consultants are currently collecting field measurements at local well sites to inform the Aquifer Study. In addition, a dedicated project website has been created and can be viewed at <u>https://city-of-mccleary-aquifer-sustainability-plan-usaquifers.hub.arcgis.com</u>. This will be the primary information portal throughout the duration of the project, and also has a citizen survey that we are requesting folks to complete to help inform the study and future priorities for aquifer protections.

Comprehensive Plan Update

Progress is underway compiling information for the comprehensive plan update being completed by SCJ Alliance on behalf of the City. Our next steps will be to form a diverse stakeholder group made up of several, varied community members and interested parties. This extensive plan update will take up to one year to complete given the robust need for public involvement. Regular progress updates will be provided to City Council throughout the planning period.

IBEW Collective Bargaining

Negotiations are ongoing with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Works, Local No. 77. This Union represents our Light and Power group as well as several of the front office administrative staff members. We are hopeful to wrap up negotiations before the end of October, and are making good progress thus far to achieve that goal.