

# MEMORANDUM



TO: City Council  
FROM: Greg Springman, Public Works Consultant  
DATE: February 10, 2026  
SUBJECT: PW Monthly Report – Dec. 2025 – Jan. 2026

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This memorandum provides a brief periodic update of specific projects, Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) operations and maintenance (O&M), and other activities performed by the Public Works Department.

## **WWTP Activities - Mahler Water Reclamation Facility**

### December 2025:

- 111.10 million gallons (MG) of wastewater treated this month
- 6.96 MG max daily flow discharged
- 3.58 MG average daily flow discharged

### January 2026:

- 79.60 million gallons (MG) of wastewater treated this month
- 4.41 MG max daily flow discharged
- 2.57 MG average daily flow discharged

### Compliance:

- Wastewater plant had two sewer system overflows (SSO) in December, 2025. The WWTP process has had “zero” process violations for the last 20 months.
- The City received a Notice of Civil Penalty from DEQ for wastewater discharge violations from the Wastewater Treatment Facility into Ames Creek and South Santiam River between October, 2022 through May, 2024. Staff will meet with DEQ to discuss it in detail. DEQ and the City staff agreed to modify the Notice of Penalty. City is waiting for DEQ’s response. The City will have the opportunity to do Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) in lieu of the fine.

### O&M Projects:

- Staff submitted the annual EPA/DEQ Biosolids Report for 2025.
- Staff submitted the annual State Fire Marshal Report.
- Mahler Water Reclamation Facility Project has been fully designed and is waiting for funding. Staff have completed the WIFIA application and submitted the \$25,000 application fee but are waiting for financial documents (completed FY23 Audit and an updated Credit Rating Report for the City). Once the audit is completed, the application will be submitted.

## **WTP Activities - Sweet Home Water Treatment Plant**

### December 2025:

- 29.31 MG finish water treated this month

- 1.60 MG max daily demand
- 0.95 MG average daily demand

#### January 2026:

- 30.61 MG finish water treated this month
- 1.61 MG max daily demand
- 1.06 MG average daily demand

#### Compliance:

- No process violations for December 2025 & January 2026.

#### Raw Turbidity NTUs:

- Levels currently range are less than 50 NTUs during the month of December 2025 & January 2026. NTU's are currently less than 10 NTUs.

#### O&M Projects:

- US Army Corps ceased annual Green Peter Reservoir drawdown operations on December 7, 2025.

### **Engineering Projects**

- Ongoing ROW inspections throughout the community.
- Ongoing Coulter subdivision inspections.
- Ongoing Plan review for Public Works right of way (ROW) projects.
- Staff worked with Developer for pavement repair plan for Coulter subdivision.
- Completed Water Loss tracking spreadsheet.
- Assisted other Department with developing "Road Closers" application in our GIS system.
- Initiated "ORalert" program access for City Officials.

### **Public Works Field Activities**

#### Water Division

- Staff continued with water distribution system leak detection citywide. Found and repaired 3 large water leaks. Water loss was down to 28% from 45%
- Staff continue to locate all City owned utilities for contractors throughout the service area.
- Staff is trying to schedule the water line replacement project of approx. 300' of 6" main on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave from Dogwood to Cedar. Including 6 services and 1 hydrant.

#### Collections System Division

- Staff started sewer main cleaning throughout the service area.
- Staff started to inspect the sewer mains with CCTV inspections.
- Collections staff started winter Infiltration and Inflow (I&I) flow monitoring in basins 8, 13, & 16.

### Streets Division

- Staff cleaned ditches for stormwater.
- Staff continues with a small amount asphalt patch work for water leak repairs.
- Scheduled weekly street sweeping is ongoing.
- Staff completed the fall leaf collection season on Thursday, December 18, 2025.

### Parks & Facilities Division

- Staff working on Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) east of Ames Creek in Sankey Park. All vegetation has been mowed, sprayed and debris removed. Silage traps will be put in place mid-October. Traps will remain in place for 1 year. Native planting is happening on February 5, 2026.
- Staff built a 16' picnic bench for Ashbrook.
- Staff maintained City parks, cleaned restrooms, and collected garbage from public trash cans.
- Working on Park benches in-house as well as starting shelving for the library.

### Stormwater Division

- Staff are cleaning storm drain lines as needed.
- Staff are cleaning storm ditches along street easements as time allows.