

# MEMORANDUM



TO: City Council  
FROM: Greg Springman, Public Works Director  
DATE: July 8, 2025  
SUBJECT: Public Works Monthly Report – June 2025

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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**

- 29.36 million gallons (MG) of wastewater treated this month
- 1.37 MG max daily flow discharged
- 0.75 MG average daily flow discharged

### **Compliance:**

- Wastewater plant process had no violations for June 2025. The WWTP process has had “zero” process violations for the last 13 months.

### **O&M Projects:**

- 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**

- 43.32 MG finish water treated this month
- 1.44 MG average daily demand

### **Compliance:**

- No process violations for June 2025.

### **Raw Turbidity NTUs:**

- Levels currently range below 5 NTUs.

### **O&M Projects:**

- The Automation Group (TAG) completed the new SCADA system upgrades to our WTP. SCADA system hardware has been installed. TAG completed the project check list for completion. This upgrade will greatly improve the City's SCADA security system for the drinking water system.
- Staff cleaned backwash basin #2 at the WTP in preparation for Green Peter drawdowns.
- Staff completed and submitted the annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) to OHA. The report is due July of each year.

## **Engineering Projects**

- Ongoing Right of Way (ROW) inspections for ZIPLY Fiber installations throughout the community.
- Ongoing ROW inspections for 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Coulter Subdivision.
- Request for Proposal (RFP) and contract award for 1st Avenue speed hump installation (\$8,490).
- Worked on completing the Mountain Fir ROW dedication.
- Various single-family home/duplex ROW sewer taps, and hard surface approach inspections.
- Contract award and completion of a large sewer main repair on 18th avenue (9,950).

## **Public Works Field Activities**

### **Water Division**

- Staff started water distribution system leak detection citywide. Staff found 30 plus leaks this month.
- Staff continue to repair water main and service leaks as needed due to age.
- Staff continue to locate all City owned utilities for Zippy (many locates throughout the city).
- Repaired several water main leaks in the public Right of Way (ROW).
- Staff continue to clean reservoir sites, including spraying, mowing and weed eating.
- Staff working with Treatment Plant Operators to set reservoir levels after SCADA change out.

### **Collections System Division**

- Staff started mowing ROW for access to sewer mains, manhole structures and ditches.
- Collections staff assisting with leak detection and water leak repairs.

### **Streets Division**

- Staff commenced crack sealing in the Strawberry Loop and west Avenues. Pavement crack sealing will continue for 3 weeks, ending July 11, 2025.
- Staff have begun asphalt patch work, weather permitting.
- Staff is painting street curbs and parking marks on MainStreet and Long Ave.

### **Parks & Facilities Division**

- Staff working on Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) east of Ames Creek in Sankey Park. This project is a multi-year plan in coordination with the Santiam Watershed Council.
- Staff continue to maintain City parks, clean restrooms, and collect public trash cans.
- Staff continue mowing and weed eating in all City Parks and Facilities, once per week.
- Increase in graffiti on Weddle Bridge and Sankey Park restroom. PD is doing an outstanding job mitigating graffiti vandalism.

### Stormwater Division

- Staff are starting to clean ditches along street easements.