#### SPRING 2019

# Water Matters

Sky Hi Retreat Water Board:

Providing safe, high quality water services to our community, while maintaining a standard of excellence in customer service and environmental conservation.

#### Thanks!



The water board would like to express thanks to Sky Hi Retreat resident Don Fox for his professional artwork on our logos and well publications. We look marvelous!



### What's all that noise?!

In the summer of 2018, it became apparent Sky Hi Retreat would need a deeper well, should our aquifer run dry. We were in year 7 of a drought and wells were drying up in the country club, forcing their water districts to truck-in water. The Sky Hi Retreat Water Board set out to explore drilling a deeper well.

It may come to you as a surprise how expensive drilling a deeper well can be. The board debated several options, including loans, bonds, and grants. Several board members have experience with grants, but President Bill Lucas did most of the work. After countless phone calls, hundreds of pages printed, dozens of pages of applications, and a government shutdown, Sky Hi Retreat was awarded a USDA Rural Water Grant for \$498,500. This amount should cover the entire cost of the project.

We have contracted with Painted Sky and you should be seeing their work trucks in Sky Hi for the next few months. We do apologize for any noise disturbance during normal working hours. The deep well will be capped and only accessed should our sweet-tasting Sky Hi aquifer run low.

### Meet Your Board

The Sky Hi Domestic Water Improvement District is comprised of volunteer board members. Chairman: Bill Lucas Treasurer: Maury Williams Vice Chair: Susan Rodriguez Water Works Chief: Bill Bro

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## Chairman's corner

Hello everyone from your Sky Hi DWID Board Chairman. Spring has sprung and I hope this News Letter finds you well. But, as I write this column it is snowing outside. Go figure. "It's the Mountain" is the typical response to explain those unexpected events we find ourselves in living in this fabulous place.

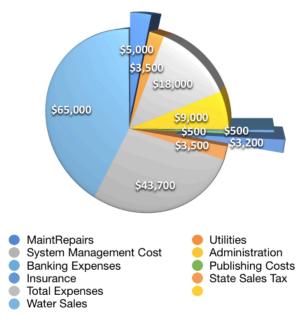
Your Sky Hi DWID Board has made a concerted effort this last year to improve communications and inform you about your water department and its value. I hope you have had the opportunity to take advantage of the information.

But, what can YOU do to help? As good stewards who recognize the beauty of this place you can take actions to conserve our water. Simple things can go a long way. There are many resources to help, here is just one to get you started saving water NOW! https://earth911.com/home-garden/conserving-water-at-home/

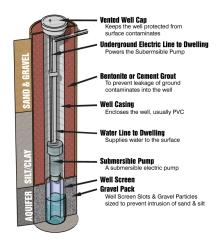
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## How is a well drilled?

Interested in seeing how a well is drilled? Check out this video!



#### https://youtu.be/0-KLWEnwiaY?t=17



### Stay connected!

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