Water Matters

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Q: Why are we drilling a new well? A: As shallow wells in the Country Club started to dry up, the Sky Hi DWID realized the need for a deep well. The new deep well will allow us to tap into the Coconino Aquifer should our shallow aquifer become affected by drought. The Coconino Aquifer has shown to not be affected by drought.

Q: How much will this cost me? A: The Water Board has worked hard to apply for and be awarded a USDA grant that will cover \$500,000. There may be overages. However, the board considered that before applying and has funds in reserve should the need arise. We do anticipate a slight increase in operating costs in the near future. The increase will affect rates. The Water Board is very proud to say they have not had a rate increase in 10 years. We will continue to do everything in our power to keep water costs low.

Q: How long will this project take? A: We have 100 days to complete the project. The project dates are from November 6, 2019-February 14, 2020. No doubt you have seen the drill rig at the Pump House and have questions. We have answers.

Q: When are operating hours? A: Planned operations are daylight and weekdays unless drilling challenges dictate 24/7 operations for a limited time until the challenges are overcome.

Q: What is all that gray stuff around the drill rig and in the ditch in front of the pump house?A: The gray material is the pulverized rocks and materials mixed in with plain water the drill bit is cutting. They are using a foam to suspend the cuttings so they travel up the discharge pipe more efficiently. All EPA approved materials.



Have more questions? Visit our website!

Want to stay up to date with the <u>drilling process</u>? We've got you covered!

You can view all the well technical details (including a schematic) on our website. <u>www.Skyhiwater.org</u> Click on News & Notices and select Current Projects

Log into our www.SkyHiWater.org website. Scroll down on the right side. Click on "<u>Our Neighborhood Web Cam</u>" The website also has many helpful links.



This project made possible by your Water Board

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Sky Hi Domestic Water Improvement New Well

Sky Hi Domestic Water Improvement District

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Engineer: Painted Sky Engineering

Snowflake, AZ

Contractor: Beeman Drilling

Show Low, AZ



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