



UP THE CREEK

February 28, 2018

How Can the Shortest Month of the Year be the Longest?

February is one of the shortest months of the year even though the days are starting to get longer. This might be the reason why it seems like February has flown by. We have been extremely busy over this past month. Between painting, flooring, countertops, repairs, locates, etc. February is over and done already! Hang on to your seats while we take you on a whirl wind trip of our February at USCDWUA.

I am sure that most of you on Cedar Mesa had seen the water leak at the bottom of 2550 Rd. We tried several times in December to fix it; we were unable to get the water shut off at that leak so we couldn't fix it. We did figure out how to shut off most of all the neighbors in a 5 mile radius except that one spot. With Dan's help, we were finally able to figure out how to get the water off and were able to repair that leak. We got the leak fixed, however, we still affected a few people we weren't planning on. It is always a hassle when we have to repair a leak especially for the neighbors. We also fixed another leak at the top of 2550 Road that involved cutting across the road. However, we were able to get that one fixed without too much trouble. Although, it was in one of the few snow storms we have seen this year. Two words come to mind...Murphy and Law. Unfortunately, 2550 Road has more than it's fair share of leaks, ergo the priority to replace the line this year.

The other projects we have been working on is repainting and reflooring the office; reorganizing inside the office; and cleaning the shop. At first this seems like an easy task; however, it involved painting the conference room area first which involved moving everything out. Then we started on the main office part. This really became a challenge because real work still needed to get accomplished while we were painting etc. Not only did we need to move all the furniture, computers, printers etc., we had to move me! So if you came by towards the end of the month you saw that I had moved into the conference room. All I can say is that I will be glad when I can move back into the main office. The paint and carpet in the office was over 20 years old and the carpet was filled with dirt that would just not come clean. We have repainted and ripped out the carpet, redone countertops etc. We are laying the new floor now in the main office. I can assure everyone that it isn't carpet! Beginning of next month we should have this project completed as well. We will still need to lay the floor in the conference room after the main office is finished.

We began flushing the lines this week getting ready for spring and summer. We started with the Lone Pine area working out towards Redlands Mesa. After those lines are flushed we will start the other lines. If you notice some water pressure issues that is why, but hopefully it won't cause anyone too many inconveniences.

Just so that everyone is aware we will begin reading meters in March, weather permitting. As a reminder, you are not charged for water usage during the winter. If we notice that an excessive amount of water was used we will let you know so that you can get any leaks taken care of before we begin the seasonal reading in April.

I have a feeling that March might just be as busy as February, although it will be a longer month with longer days so it might not feel like we are in a whirl wind the entire month.

JUST THE FACTS

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UPPER SURFACE CREEK DOMESTIC WATER USERS ASSOCIATION

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Some Typical Water Bills:

gal/month

7,500 —\$45.00

13,000—\$50.50

20,000—\$61.00

25,000—\$71.00

30,000—\$81.00

40,000—\$121.00

45,000—\$161.00

50,000—\$201.00

55,000—\$251.00

(Figures will vary due to number of days between readings)

METER READING DATES: Cycle 1: 18-20; Cycle 2: 20-22; Cycle 3: 22-24; Cycle 4: 24-26; Cycle 5: 26-28.

Water Rates as of January 31, 2018

Up to 7,500 gal/month	(245 gal/day)	\$45.00
7,501-13,000 gal/month	(246-427 gal/day)	\$1.00/1000 gal
13,001—20,000 gal/month	(427-655 gal/day)	\$1.50/1000 gal
20,001—30,000 gal/month	(656-983 gal/day)	\$2.00/1000 gal
30,001—40,000 gal/month	(984-1311 gal/day)	\$4.00/1000 gal
40,001—50,000 gal/month	(1312-1639 gal/day)	\$8.00/1000 gal
over 50,000 gal/month	(over 1640 gal/day)	\$10.00/1000 gal

Please restrict outside watering to the days marked with your symbol, which is found on your monthly bill.

March 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Time to Spring Ahead! 	12 Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm	13	14	15	16	17 
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31