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High-Water Operations Continue

Additional road closure, second weir construction starting

Fallon, NV – Churchill County, the City of Fallon and TCID continue high-water mitigation efforts as warm weather starts the spring melt upstream on the Carson River. While there are no absolutes, peak flows on the river are projected for June and July, so there is still time to prepare private property.

On-going high-water mitigation efforts

Churchill County, City of Fallon, TCID, Bureau of Reclamation and other partner agencies are working together on the following mitigation efforts:

- Casey Road at the cattle crossing before the 26-foot drop is closed until further notice for weir construction and hazardous conditions. Residents are asked to avoid the west ends of Sheckler Road and Casey Road as large equipment and supplies are moved into place to build the second weir on the V-line canal.
- The second weir will be located 50 feet downstream from the first weir and be larger to accommodate an increased outflow from the current 750 cubic-feet-per-second off the V-line to 3,500 cfs. Expected completion: mid-May.
- The Road Department and TCID completed cleaning out the Big Dig of debris and silt to allow water to flow more efficiently through the channel. Water is currently flowing through the Big Dig, under Highway 50 and out to the Stillwater Wildlife Refuge.
- Road Department personnel building up the berm along Pasture Road to a height of six feet to allow for increased water capacity in the Carson Pasture Lake (east side of Highway 95 south of Fallon). Estimated completion: end of April.
- Local youth, working with county crews, will fill and set-up sandbags for seniors and those with mobility issues who live along the Carson River in Churchill County on Saturday, April 22 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please call the High-Water Call Center weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (775)867-5923 by April 19 to make arrangements for this free service.

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