

## **Newsletter**

### **Hebgen Lake Estates County Water & Sewer District**

**July 2010**

#### **WASTEWATER UPDATE**

The Preliminary Engineering Report and state and federal grant applications have been completed and submitted. The various agencies will review and rank the applications. Information about the rankings should be available by this fall.

#### **WATER AND SEWER RATES AND FEES**

Montana law requires the District to review rates and fees every year. The Board of Directors has scheduled a public meeting to receive comments and recommendations from the members of the District. The District has received numerous communications regarding the rates and fees. The Director's are committed to consider all comments and recommendations regarding rates and fees.

**Public Meeting**  
**August 6, 2010 7:00 pm**  
**Rendezvous Trail Building 101 S. Geyser St.**  
**West Yellowstone, MT 59758**

The Board of Directors encourages members of the District to attend this meeting to provide comments on the rates and fees. If unable to attend, the Board will consider comments via mail or email.

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The current rates and fees ordinance was adopted last summer. The basic concepts behind the fee structures are:

- Rates are based on a Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) basis.
- The number of EDUs per property is based on the Hebgen Lake Estates Covenants. For example a single family lot has 1 EDU, a duplex lot has 2, and a 12 unit condominium complex has 12 EDUs.
- Every EDU (including vacant lots) pays a base rate (currently \$50 per month) for water and sewer availability.
- Every constructed EDU pays an additional rate (currently \$25 per month) for water and sewer usage.
- The District developed a budget and divided that number by the total number of EDUs to determine the basic monthly rates.

#### **SYSTEM OPERATOR**

The District has contracted with Greg Johnson (Buffalo Services) to provide certified operator services for our water and sewer systems. Please contact Greg at 406 640-1664 about water and sewer issues, including service, connections, and leaks. Please contact the District at the above address for billing or other administrative issues.