

### **Item 3 – District Operating Budget Amendment – Hydrogeological Services**

Currently, the District has spent \$118,500.29 on Engineering/Hydrologist – AGS line item. Advanced Groundwater Solutions (AGS) has recently invoiced the District for August work completed in the amount of \$27,966.36. The budgeted amount for this line item is \$130,000.00.

FY2023 has seen an inordinate number of permit applications requiring extensive hydrogeological review come into the District office. This was not anticipated when budgeting was done in September-October 2022.

I have visited with James concerning services anticipated during the September-December 2023 period. Permitting will likely slow to a crawl following the September 14, 2023 Rules Hearing and rule revisions adopted. I expect a small amount of work may be needed associated with GMA 12 before years' end but nothing major. Adding \$40,000.00 to the line item will provide a \$25,000 cushion for possible permits and GMA 12 items.

**It is the recommendation of the General Manager to amend the current approved District Operating Budget adding \$40,000.00 to the Engineering/Hydrologist – AGS line item.**