

cility (TLWWTF), which treats wastewater from Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District (WWSD), Monument Sanitation District (MSD), and Palmer Lake Sanitation District (PLSD). CSU and its potential northern project partners are evaluating the best route and estimating costs for the proposed 13-mile pipeline.

If this gravity-driven system is realized, CSU's more sophisticated and currently underutilized wastewater treatment facility, the J.D. Phillips Water Reclamation Facility, could accept wastewater flows from the six northern sanitation districts, but each district must opt in as a participant. CSU could potentially eliminate at least three lift stations thus reducing energy use.

All wastewater treatment facilities face stricter arsenic wastewater treatment regulations effective October 2019 and many other requirements over the next five to seven years. The UMCRRWTF began developing plans for compliance that involved multimillion-dollar upgrades to the treatment facility. Over the past few months, Triview's Water Superintendent Shawn Sexton and Assistant Water Superintendent Rob Lewis experimented with an arsenic disposal alternative—utilizing floating pumps and hauling away arsenic-containing sludge instead of directing it to the UMCRRWTF. The simple yet effective option provides a workable solution to the 2019 compliance concerns and saves Triview and Donala more than \$1 million each, McGrady said.

McGrady confirmed that the three district-owners of UMCRRWTF agreed not to move forward with facility upgrades at this time. The districts will also need to seek feedback from the Upper Colorado Bureau of Reclamation. An additional benefit of participation in CSU regionalization is the anticipated and substantial cost savings associated with long-term regulatory compliance.

Regionalization creates at least one dilemma for TLWWTF and UMCRRWTF: What do the managers of the respective districts do with their current treatment plants after regionalization

with CSU is fully established? The most common options—demolishing, mothballing, or selling—must be decided by the owner-districts of each facility. See related Monument Sanitation District article on page 1.

Joint venture put on hold

Donala—Triview's neighbor and collaborator on a wheeling agreement (an arrangement for Donala to transport drinking water for Triview) and a joint metering project that would have combined to deliver Triview's renewable drinking water via

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Donala's infrastructure—learned that it was denied a "finding of no significant impact" designation on its 1041 permit. McGrady explained that, due to the denied finding, Donala can't be in "the wheeling business" thus the two-pronged collaboration has

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"Monument Academy is a unique local asset and we wanted to provide a place for it to grow. The school and YMCA is an ideal blend that will be a tremendous benefit to the entire Tri-Lakes community," said Matt Dunston.



Local developers Matt and Bill Dunston are donating the property, shown above, to Monument Academy.

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