

## **Moab Irrigation Company Officer's Report for 2005**

The company started flowing water in the lines on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Stream flow this past year was very good.

The first major project was to clean out behind the Lower Mill Creek Diversion Dam in April. A track hoe was brought in to cut back the banks and allow the water to more easily enter the two head gates. The company had been having trouble regulating the water between these two gates because of the way the stream had become channeled due to past floods.

The company dealt several times this summer with water flooding neighboring property due to water users not properly controlling the flow of their water. The company policy is to shut off water to a user if there is flooding of this type.

In August, George Roberts decided to resign as Water Master. Scott Wacker was hired to work for the remainder of the year. As the board learned how the water had been scheduled, we saw that there is a need to take a hard look at all the water schedules and see if we can come up with better schedules that will make the water more available for the users and yet, lessen the work of the water master.

In Aug we discovered we have a major leak in the PE pipe that runs along Main Street in the vicinity of about 50 East. The water has been draining into the storm system culverts. We are planning to repair the leak in the spring of 06.

The system was shut down at the beginning of November and the pipes drained.

The last issue the company dealt with was in December at the location of the new Grand County Credit Union. Their new building was built almost on top of the line. Originally they were going to move the line during construction, but it never was done and we are now working with the Credit Union board to come up with a good solution on how they should reroute the line.

This coming year, some of our main emphasis is going to be on water schedules. We appreciate all those that responded to our

survey that went out with the assessment notices. Unfortunately about 25% of the company users failed to respond, so we are following up on that. We are also looking to better mark our water lines and continue to improve our mapping of the system. The board is also concerned about the age of some of the lines and dams and we will be looking at long range plans to upgrade key areas.