

[LKWCD Current]

Winter

January 31, 2017

Welcome 2017!

Water Levels and Rainfall

The new year is here and we are officially done with the entire first month! Time surely does seem to pass more quickly every year. This month I have been out in the field collecting the remainder of 2016 transducer and rain station data. I have not made it through all of the rainfall data quite yet but almost every rain station so far had received over 30 inches of rainfall for 2016. That is roughly 10 inches above our annual average! We have already received 1.74 inches for January 2017 here at the office. I will be making the rainfall graphs for the rain gauge cooperators in the district and should have them mailed out sometime in February. Thank you again to all who mail in your rainfall data, your participation is very useful and much appreciated.

Last week I finished measuring the monthly monitor water levels and the trend from the last multiple months has still kept up. Many wells were still rising and seeing record levels, while many other wells had very slight changes up or down by only a few hundredths or tenths of an inch. We are starting off this year

with better water levels than we have had in many years, hopefully we will continue to receive plenty of rain this year as well so that we can maintain them as long as possible.