MAINTENANCE

Mel Summer named super at Black Gold

YORBA LINDA, Calif. — The City of Yorba Linda has appointed Mel Summer as superintendent for their Black Gold Golf Club, a 6,900-yard, par-72, 18- hole public facility opening this spring.

Prior to joining Black Gold, Summer worked for more than 26 years in mainte-

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as a superintendent, project manager, assistant superintendent and construction foreman for various Southern California golf facilities. His most recent postings were at Summit Golf in Corona, Costa Mesa Country Club in Costa Mesa and Pelican Hill Golf Club in Newport Beach.

Summer is a Class A member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and is active in the California Golf Course Superintendents Association.

The Black Gold Golf Club is managed by KemperSports Management of Northbrook, Ill., and was designed by Arthur Hills. The course, located 10 miles northwest of Disneyland, will include a lighted driving range, practice putting green and a 20,000-square-foot clubhouse.

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10 criteria California had to meet to have electricity this summer. The possibility of meeting all 10 was slim to none."

The long-term outlook is equally ominous. Federal immigration policies are flooding the state with millions of new people. California's population has surged 75 percent just since 1970, to 35 million. Now, more immigration-driven growth is projected to put California's population at 55 million in a few more decades. In the next 40 years alone, California will add the population equivalent of the entire state of Texas.

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Given the massive population growth, demand for energy is certain to soar. California plans to build new power plants as fast as possible, but with a booming population, they might not bring much relief.

The United States faces "a major energy supply crisis" over the next 25 years that could swamp the economy and radically lower living standards, said Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham. "The bad news is that the situation in California is not isolated, it is not temporary and it will not fix itself." Matthew Simmons, president of consulting firm Simmons & Company International, said the convergence of pending shortages in oil, natural gas and electricity are the energy equivalent of "The Perfect Storm." "The power shortages in the Midwest last summer and the current energy crisis in California are but the first tremors that are about to send shockwaves through the world's economic system," he said.

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