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Carpinteria Valley Water District

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Lyons Well Rehabilitation

In the next several weeks, rehabilitation work will begin at the Water District's Lyons Well located on the corner of Shemara and Casitas Pass Road. This well is one of the District's 5 wells that serve to provide 25 to 50 % of the District's annual water supply. The Lyons Well has been in use since the mid 1970s and has not been rehabilitated since 1985. Work on the well will entail brushing the well screens and casing, hydraulic development and disinfection using high doses of chlorine. Customers may see a well service rig, some portable tanks, and other equipment located at the well site during the project. Work will occur 8 am to 5 pm on weekdays and should last no longer than 2 weeks.

If have any questions or comments regarding this matter please contact Bob McDonald, District Engineer or Charles Hamilton, General Manager at the District Offices.



Storage Tank Construction Site Tours

Interested in the construction progress of the CVWD Rancho Monte Alegre Storage Tank? CVWD is offering tours of the Storage Tank site and welcomes your participation. The tours will occur throughout the month of July, Monday thru Fridays. Please phone Suzie Lara at (805) 684-2816 for information regarding tour times and sign up.



El Distrito es bilingue. Favor de llamar (805) 684-2816 con cualquier pregunta sobre su cuenta o el uso de agua, estamos aqui para asistirlos.



*A well-maintained irrigation system is
an efficient irrigation system.*



Whether you have a simple irrigation system or you are watering acres using the latest irrigation technology, proper maintenance is a must. Without regular maintenance your water stingy irrigation system could turn into a water guzzler. Irrigation systems are exposed to the elements year-round, as well as everything from lawn mower blades to the family dog. That means they need to be inspected and adjusted at least once a year.

Here are a few essential maintenance tips to ensure that your irrigation system is always operating at its best:

Learn how to program your irrigation controller. Adjusting the run times (number of minutes) and the frequency of watering (daily, twice a week, etc.) based on current local weather conditions is the best way to give your plants the water they need. An effective tool to help you achieve optimal watering for your landscape with minimal water waste is a landscape watering calculator, found at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WaterCalc/.

Inspect the irrigation system for leaks. Leaks are a huge water waster.

Clean the filter screens, if clogged.

Adjust sprinkler head height. Stationary and rotary sprinkler heads need a certain amount of clearance over the plants to operate correctly. Over time plants grow and turf can build up around sprinklers interfering with the spray pattern. Periodically checking the sprinklers for proper clearance is very important. Taller risers may need to be added, or in-ground sprinklers reset so they can distribute water evenly.

Adjust spray patterns and positions. Water that lands on sidewalks, patios, and decks, etc. is water wasted. Sprinklers can get whacked out of adjustment, so having their aim checked yearly is a must.

Check the water pressure. Just because the pressure was correct when the system was installed doesn't mean it still is. Pressure that is too low or too high can seriously affect the efficiency of your irrigation system. So, have the pressure checked and adjusted every year.

Ask Us !

Q. How can I improve the taste of my drinking water?

A. Keep a pitcher of chilled tap water in the refrigerator. Not only will this improve the taste, it will help conserve water because you don't need to let the tap run until the water gets cold.

Please submit questions you would like answered via our newsletter by mail at P.O. Box 578, Carpinteria, CA 93014, fax (805) 684-3170 or email info@cvwd.net.



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CVWD's Board of Directors meets on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Regular meetings begin at 4 p.m., are open to the public, and are held at 1301 Santa Ynez Ave., Carpinteria. For more information, phone (805) 684-2816

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