

May 2006



Carpinteria Valley Water District

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Transfer of Water Allotment to Plains Exploration and Production (PXP)

Carpinteria Valley Water District is in the process of finalizing an agreement to transfer 400 acre feet per year of it's 2000 acre feet Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) Project Allotment .

Recent studies have indicated that CVWD has excess water during normal and wet years through 2030. The District has also determined that during a prolonged drought various other water reliability strategies will meet the District's water needs.

The transfer is expected to take place during a five year option period. PXP will pay CVWD \$750 per acre foot or a total of \$300,000 per year to hold the option before a transfer occurs. This transfer will result in a reduction of the State Water Project (SWP) charge on customer bills and help reduce overall water rate increases.

Main Line Flushing

The Carpinteria Valley Water District will begin its annual water quality flushing program in May and will continue through June. The purpose of this program is to improve water quality by removing some of the older water trapped in the distribution system. The flushing program also helps remove mineral deposits and sediment .

If you have any questions about the District flushing program or would like to learn more about the program contact the District Operations Manager Omar Castro at 805-684-2816.

Bike Path Project Updates

The Carpinteria Valley Water District has begun the Santa Monica bike path construction project. When the project is completed those who use the bike path will enjoy approximately 1000 feet of new paved area. The project it expected to be completed in May.

CVWD Proposed Budget

The District Board of Directors will be considering the proposed 06-07 Budget and water rates at it's regular 4 p.m. Board meetings on May 17th and May 24th.

May Holiday Schedule

The District will be **closed**:

Monday, May 29th

in observance of Memorial Day.

In case of emergency, call (805) 684-2816 for assistance.

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.



Celebrate Water Awareness Month in May

Charles Meyer Desalination Facility Tour

May 6: 9:00 a.m. See how saltwater can be made fresh. Meet at 525 East Yanonali Street. Call 564-5460 for information.

Alice Keck Park Memorial Garden Tour

May 13: 10:00 a.m. Learn about beautiful water wise plants at the park. Meet at corner of Santa Barbara and Micheltorena Streets. Call 564-5460 for information

Santa Barbara Botanic Garden Tours

May 14 & 28: 2:00 p.m. Attend a tour focusing on Water Conserving Native Plants for the Home Garden including a visit to the Home Demonstration Garden. Call 682-4726 for more information.



Landscape Watering Calculator



The Santa Barbara County Landscape Watering Calculator is an easy-to-use tool that helps you estimate the right amount of water to give your landscape or garden. The calculator has been designed to give you a weekly schedule for the maximum amount of water which your plants may need each month of the year. Because everyone's landscape is different, the calculator has been simplified by using average numbers for weather, plants, and soils in Santa Barbara County. Access the watering calculator at www.santabarbaraca.gov/WaterCalc/

Ask Us !

- Q.** What phone number do I call to report a water leak?
- A.** Call the District phone number at (805) 684-2816 to report a water leak 24 hours a day. The CVWD representative will dispatch an investigator to the leak location based on the information given by the caller. During the investigation, our representative will attempt to ascertain origin of the leak and if it is on the District's pipes.

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.



Have you visited our web site lately?

New information is added and updated frequently.
Be sure to visit the website at www.cvwd.net

Carpinteria Valley Water District Board of Directors

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Board Meetings

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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