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Carpinteria Valley Water District

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Water District Seeks \$2 Million in Grant Funds for Needed Water System Upgrades

In keeping with Carpinteria Valley Water District's mission to provide customers with safe and reliable drinking water, and avoid any impact on the water rates, the District is seeking \$2 million in grant funds from Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Act of 2002. If awarded, Grant funds will be used to replace the El Carro water well and to retrofit existing water mains to improve water quality and reliability. The effort is called the **El Carro Well Replacement and Central Zone Pipeline Improvement Project**. The Project will also require matching funds of \$1 million from existing Certificates of Participation (COPs) proceeds and Capital Cost Recovery fees from new development within the District. In this way it is possible that the Project can go forward without causing any need for a water rate increase.

The Project includes two distinct components linked together to improve the quality of drinking water for District customers. The Project will also significantly enhance water reliability by reducing the District's reliance on imported water, including State Water.

The El Carro Well Replacement component of the Project entails the re-drilling of the failed well and also retrofitting the onsite treatment facility with upgraded equipment. The new well will be designed to allow for groundwater injection to improve aquifer reliability in dry years. It will greatly increase the District's current groundwater production capacity (by restoring lost capacity), and contribute to better water quality when the water it produces is blended with Cachuma water.

The Central Zone Pipeline Improvements component of the Project will include an upgrade and optimization of the Carpinteria Valley Water District's main central pressure zone by replacing undersized lines, completing water main "loops" and constructing an intertie of the proposed El Carro replacement well directly into the central zone. About 7000 linear feet of pipe will be involved. City of Carpinteria and CalTrans encroachment permits will be required. The pipeline upgrades will improve water movement throughout the distribution system and reduce the need to flush mains.

The new well and pipeline improvements will result in Central Zone customers receiving a greater percentage of groundwater, containing very little organic matter which contributes to the formation of unwanted disinfection byproducts. Once complete, the enhanced water main hydraulics will also lower water velocity in the pipeline, reduce the scouring of pipe scale from internal pipeline walls, lower the incidence of "red water" appearing at the tap and improve aesthetic water quality.

The District is in the process of preparing the necessary environmental document to be circulated to the public within the next few months. In the meantime, please direct any questions to Charles Hamilton, General Manager, at 684-2816.

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.

November and December Board of Directors Meetings

The Board Meetings for the months of November and December will be:

Wednesday, November 14th	4 p.m.	District Boardroom
Wednesday, December 5th	7 p.m.	City Hall
Wednesday, December 19th	4 p.m.	District Boardroom

The District's Boardroom is located at 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue.
City Hall is located at 5775 Carpinteria Avenue.



November Holiday Schedule

The District Office will be closed on Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23rd in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The District will reopen for business on Monday, November 26th.

The District Office will be open on November 12th, Veterans Day (observed).

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

Check Water Before You Leave Home

During the holidays many of us travel providing an opportunity for leaks to go unnoticed. Be sure to check that toilets and sprinklers are not leaking prior to your departure. You may also want to turn off the house shut-off valve to avoid the possibility of leaks or flooding and a high water bill upon your return.

Cate School and Casitas Village HOA participate in Rebate Program

Kudos to Cate School and Casitas Village Home Owners Association for participating in the Save Water, Save a Buck Rebate Program.

Cate School replaced 10 high water using toilets with low-flow toilets. Casitas Village HOA replaced 70 high water using clothes washers utilized in common areas with low water using "high efficiency" clothes washers.

CVWD appreciates and applauds Cate School and Casitas Village HOA for their commitment to efficient water and energy use!

The Save Water, Save a Buck Rebate Program will end on December 31, 2007 so business owners hurry and replace those inefficient water guzzling fixtures with water saving fixtures. Visit www.sbwater.org for more information regarding the Save Water, Save a Buck Rebate Program or call Rhonda at (805) 684-2816.



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Be sure to visit the website at www.cvwd.net

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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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