



June 2009

Carpinteria Valley Water District

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Fire District Plans 75th Anniversary Celebration

Commemorating 75 years of life-saving services, the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire District will hold a day-long anniversary celebration on **June 13, starting at 10 a.m., at Linden Field**. The event will feature an old time fire bucket brigade, antique fire trucks, firefighter competitions and a special recognition of fire district retirees at 1 p.m. Additionally, the Carpinteria Lions Club will be preparing food for all who attend. The Carpinteria Fire Department was originally formed on June 9, 1934, to serve the boundaries of the existing school district. Since then the CSFD has evolved into a modern community fire department prepared to respond to everything from wildfires to surf rescue. To find out more about the anniversary celebration, call the district headquarters at 684-4591. *(This is a reprint of an article published in the "Briefly" section of The Coastal View News, May 21-27, 2009, Vol. 15 No. 33:)*

Carpinteria Valley Water District provides and maintains all fire hydrants in the CVWD service area. This support for the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire District is paid for entirely by customers of the Water District in their monthly water bills. A display of District hydrants will be featured at the anniversary celebration. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Now Available!!! On-Line Billing

Many of the District's customers have asked for on-line billing and we have been working diligently to bring that service to you. Beginning this month, customers will be able to view their water accounts and pay them on-line through CVWD's website www.cvwd.net. The District will continue to provide its Direct Payment option, accept payments through the U.S. mail service, the CVWD payment box located outside our District office, and at the Billing Department front counter. Customers also have the option of using credit cards when paying in person at the District office. In addition, the on-line service will give customers the flexibility to submit requests for water saving surveys, and water quality investigations regarding taste, odor and color concerns.



**The District will be closed
Friday, July 3rd,
in observance of Independence 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.

June Board of Directors Meetings

The Board Meetings for the month of June:

Wednesday, June 3rd	7 pm	Carpinteria City Hall 5775 Carpinteria Avenue
Wednesday, June 17th	4 pm	District Boardroom 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue

Proposition 50 Funding

The District is expecting Proposition 50 monies to be available pending the State Budget Offices' release of 12 billion dollars generated from a March sale of State Bonds. State officials have released a statement that agencies with a grant contract will receive funding but the timing may be delayed. CVWD was awarded 2 million dollars in grant funds for the replacement of El Carro Well and upgrade of some existing distribution pipelines.

El Carro Well Replacement

The District is proceeding with the re-drilling of the El Carro Well and expects to drill the well in August of 2009. The original well casing collapsed in 2005 after successive attempts to repair the well. The Water District saw the Proposition 50 grant funding as an excellent opportunity to replace the failed well and aggressively pursued the grant money.

The anticipated start date for the replacement project is the end of July. The project also includes implementing several repairs and upgrades to the existing manganese water filtration system. Prior to construction of the new well, the existing well will be converted into a monitoring well.

High School Video Contest

The 2009 Santa Barbara County High School Video Contest Awards Ceremony was held May 19, 2009 at the Faulkner Gallery. Listed below are the participating schools, their placement, and monetary awards.

Dos Pueblos High	1st Place	\$1000.00
Cabrillo High	2nd Place	\$750.00
San Marcos High	3rd Place	\$500.00
Anacapa School	Hon. Mention	\$250.00
Laguna Blanca	Hon. Mention	\$250.00

These videos promoting water conservation will be aired on local government channels 20 & 21.

Visit our website at www.cvwd.net for new and updated information.

Carpinteria Valley Water District Board of Directors

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Board Meetings

CVWD's Board of Directors regularly meets on the 3rd or 4th Wednesday 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 on the meeting schedule, phone (805) 684-2816

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