

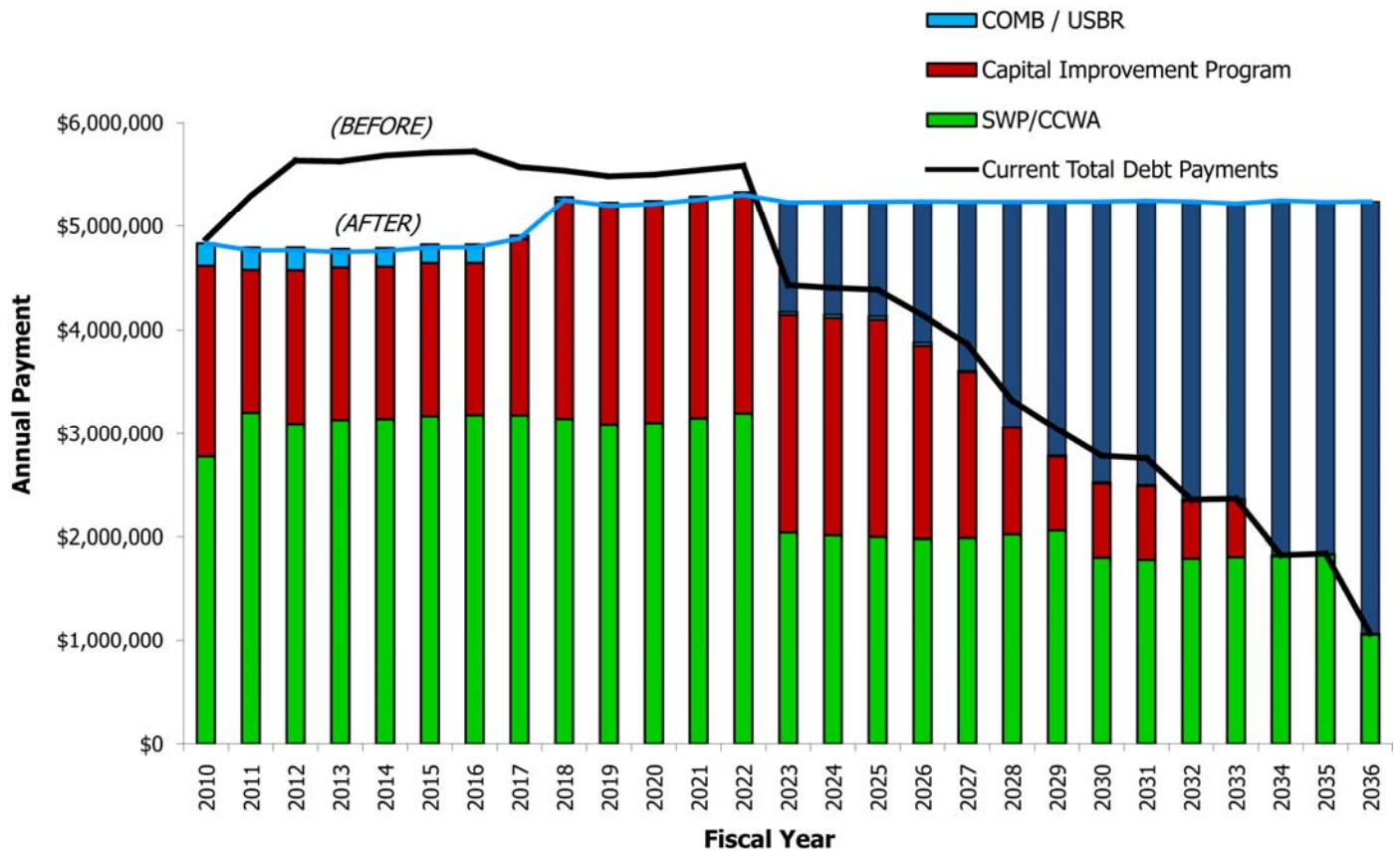


February 2010

Carpinteria Valley Water District

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## Board Considers Debt Re-Structuring to Reduce Pressure on Rates for Next 8-12 Years



Graph shows that debt smoothing can reduce the amount (up to \$750,000 in some years) required to be collected from customers over the next 12 years. It will shift more of the debt burden to future years, beginning in 2023 for assets that are designed to serve us all for at least fifty years.

### January Rainfall and Cachuma Reservoir Levels

As of January 29th, Carpinteria received 6.15 inches of rain for the month of January. The Cachuma Reservoir level is currently 153,475 acre feet (AF) of the maximum storage level 186,636 AF; 83% of it's total storage capacity.



### Presidents Day Holiday

The District Office will be open for business Monday, February 15, 2010

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.

## CVWD Begins its Water Valve Replacement and Exercise Program

Water valves are an essential part of any water system. They serve the purpose of redirecting water flow and isolating leaks to prevent water damage and reduce water loss.

Water mains are affected by several conditions leading to their failure, including soil shifting due to heavy rains and earthquakes. And many of the District's water mains have surpassed their life span.

While it is difficult to predict when a water line will break or when an earthquake will hit we can be sure that as in all water systems it will happen.

The commitment of the Carpinteria Valley Water District is to reduce the impact to the Carpinteria Valley caused by these unforeseeable events.

The recent Gobernador valve replacement project identified approximately 2,200 feet of water line that had no working valves and required a large area shut down and dewatering of approximately 14,000 gallons of water to work on that section of water line.

As a result the District installed 6 new water valves during the night on January 13th (see photo below) to minimize disruption to Shepard Mesa and Cate School customers. The new valves enable us to isolate smaller sections of Gobernador Canyon and Shepard Mesa and reduce impacts to customers as well as minimize water loss.



### *Board of Directors Meetings*

The Board Meetings for the month of **February**:

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 10</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>City Hall 5775 Carpinteria Ave</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 17</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>District Board Room 1301 Santa Ynez Ave</b>

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