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Carpinteria Valley Water District

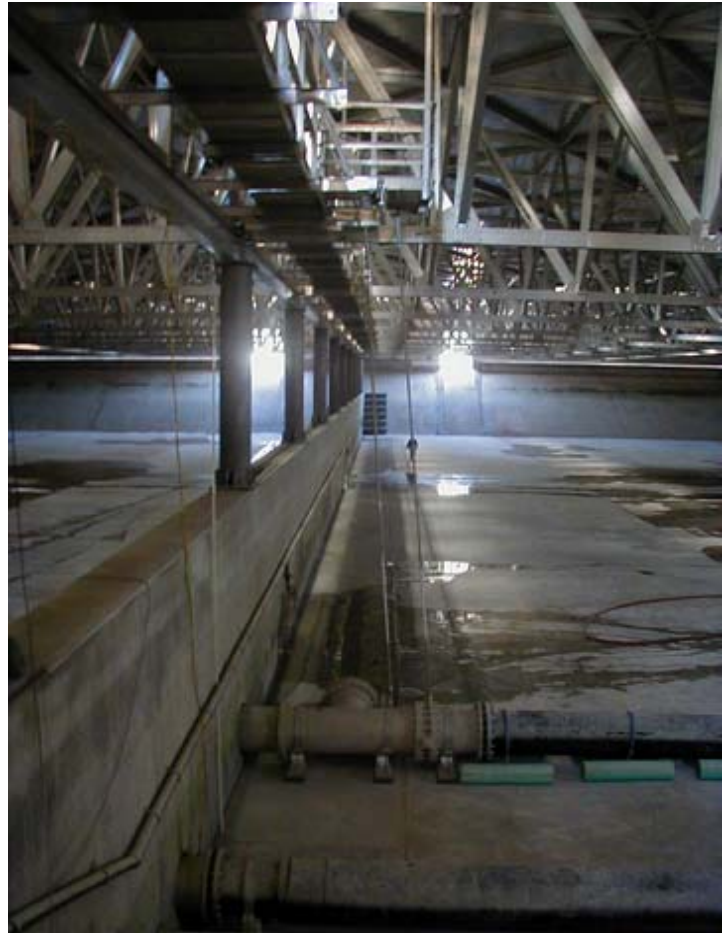
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Carpinteria Reservoir Cleaning

The Carpinteria Reservoir recently underwent its tri-annual cleaning. Carpinteria Reservoir, one of two balancing reservoirs on the South Coast Conduit, holds 14 million gallons of water at 380 feet above sea level.

The cleaning is scheduled in winter or early spring because water demand is not as high due to lower temperatures and rain. The reservoir is taken off-line for approximately 1 to 2 weeks while it is cleaned. Prior to being taken offline and cleaning the reservoir, the District draws down the water level to reduce water loss.

The reservoir holds a blend of water from the City of Santa Barbara's Cater Treatment Plant and the Carpinteria Valley's groundwater. Calcium from the water comes out of solution and forms deposits at the bottom. The reservoir's cleaning and removal of deposits reduces the potential for aesthetic water quality issues for both the District and its customers.



Interior view of the Carpinteria Reservoir.

El Carro Well Project

As noted in May's H2KNOW, below is the proposed schedule:

Mobilization & Pre-Construction
24 Hour Re-Drilling of El Carro Well #2
Wrap Up & Post-Construction

June 14th through June 28th
June 29th through July 19th
July 20th through August 27th

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.

Lifeline Customer Assistance Program

If you are enrolled in Southern California Edison's CARE program, you are eligible for the District's Lifeline Customer Assistance Program. The Lifeline Program **reduces the fixed monthly service charge portion** of your water bill by 20%. Simply bring in your Edison bill or gas bill, which indicates that you are a CARE participant (page 3 of Edison bill), to enroll in the District's program. Re-enrollment of the program is required on an annual basis.

Smart Landscape Rebate Program

Get a rebate of up to 50% of the material costs of approved water wise plants, mulch, irrigation equipment including rain sensors and smart controllers! Any combination of irrigation equipment and planting costs **may qualify for a one-time, maximum rebate of up to \$500**. Projects must be approved in advance and landscapes for new construction are not eligible. Sales receipts are required for all rebates. Call Rhonda at 684-2816 x116 for more information or to make an appointment for a Pre-Qualification Inspection site visit.

2010 S.B. County Water Awareness H.S. Video Contest



Pictured above, left to right, are Marin Kautz, Advisor Joshua Caditz, and Edward Townsend. Not pictured are Houston Bradley, Robert Fairbanks, Julie Hassman, Sarah Martzloff, and Sarah Park.

The 2010 Santa Barbara County Water Awareness High School Video Contest had a record number of video submissions this year. The top three winning schools were Santa Ynez H.S., Dos Pueblo H.S. and Cate School. Cate's "Enviro-Card" submission parodied a MasterCard commercial, highlighting water saving tips. The top three winning videos will be used as public service announcements next year on local area channels and will also be used to create print ads.

Board of Directors Meetings

The Board of Directors may hold regular Board meetings on any Wednesday at 4 pm at the District Offices at 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue, except on the second Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm at Carpinteria City Hall 5775 Carpinteria Avenue. To find out about specific meeting dates, contact the District at 684-2816 x104 or go to www.CVWD.net.

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