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Carpinteria Valley Water District

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## ***DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN CACHUMA BOARD'S UPPER REACH RELIABILITY PROJECT***

Following Board review and discussion at its regularly scheduled Board meeting held on March 23, 2011, the Board approved a motion to direct Bob Lieberknecht, District representative to the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board (COMB), to take the necessary steps to support COMB's proposed Upper Reach Reliability Project. This proposed Project includes several major improvements in the reach of the South Coast Conduit (SCC) from its beginning on the south coast side of the Tecolote Tunnel down as far as the Goleta Water District's Corona Del Mar Treatment Plant. More than half of CVWD's current water supply comes through the SCC from Lake Cachuma. In the photo below Directors Ducharme (left) and Orozco (center) can be seen inspecting and discussing the need for replacement of the south portal, the uppermost structure on the SCC with COMB General Manager Kate Rees (right) during a tour conducted on March 14, 2011.

The south portal is one of several structures along the 50 plus year old SCC that pose significant risk of failure due to factors of location, age, stress and corrosion from hydrogen sulfide gas originating in the Tecolote Tunnel. No net costs to the District for this Project are projected in the coming fiscal year, 2011-12. Depending on the Plan option, District expense will vary from between \$244,000 to \$122,000 in fiscal year 2012-2013, adding upward pressure on the water rates at that time. The District's cost sharing percentage (12.2%) closely reflects the District's recent 15 year average historical usage of the South Coast Conduit system. Other COMB member agencies participating in the Project will be the Goleta Water District, City of Santa Barbara and Montecito Water District.



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.

# Save Water and Money With a Free Water Check-up!

Check-ups include:

- evaluation of household leaks
- measurement of shower and faucet flow rates
- measurement of toilet flush volumes
- useful conservation tips

The District provides free low-flow faucet aerators and showerheads to replace existing high-volume fixtures.

To schedule an appointment, contact Rhonda  
(805) 684-2816 ext. 116  
rhonda@cvwd.net



**CASH FOR MAKING YOUR GARDEN MORE WATER WISE!**

**Rebates Available on 50% of the cost of irrigation equipment, smart irrigation controllers, water-wise plants, and mulch.**

Projects must be approved in advance.

**Participating South Coast Water Providers:**  
Goleta Water District, City of Santa Barbara,  
Carpinteria Valley Water District

## ***Board of Directors Meetings***

Regular Board meetings may now be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 5:30 pm at Carpinteria City Hall, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue. The Board may also hold regular Board meetings other Wednesdays of the month at 5:30 pm at the District Offices at 1301 Santa Ynez Avenue.

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