RANCHO MURIETA March 2014



# **PIPELINE**

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A Monthly Newsletter

#### MARCH IS NATIONAL....

American Red Cross Month
Social Worker's Month
Women's History Month

# **District Meeting Schedule**



### For March 2014

Improvements 8:30 a.m. February 27, 2014

Personnel 9:00 a.m. March 5, 2014

Finance 9:30 a.m. March 5, 2014

Communication & Technology 9:00 a.m. March 7, 2014

Security 9:30 a.m. March 7, 2014

Parks - T.B.A.

Joint Security - T.B.A.

District Board Meeting 5:00 p.m. March 19, 2014

# FIX A LEAK WEEK - March 16 - 23, 2014

**Fix a Leak Week** is celebrated in March of each year as a time to remind Americans to check their household fixtures and irrigation systems for leaks.

#### The Facts on Leaks

- Leaks can account for, on average, 10,000 gallons of water wasted in the home every year, which is enough to fill a backyard swimming pool.
- The amount of water leaked from U.S. homes could exceed more than 1 trillion gallons per year. That's equivalent to the annual water use of Los Angeles, Chicago, and Miami combined.
- Ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day.
- Common types of leaks found in the home include leaking toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and other leaking valves. All are easily correctable.
- Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners more than 10 percent on their water bills.
- Keep your home leak-free by repairing dripping faucets, toilet valves, and showerheads. In most cases, fixture replacement parts don't require a major investment and can be installed by do-ityourselfers.
- The vast majority of leaks can be eliminated after retrofitting a household with new WaterSense labeled fixtures and other highefficiency appliances.

## **STAGE 2 WATER ALERT - UPDATE**

Despite the recent rainfall we received, the District is still in a Stage 2 drought requesting a targeted cutback in overall use of 20%. The good news is that the rain has allowed the District to begin diverting water from the Cosumnes River to storage, at a rate of over 20 million gallons per day. Even if river flows sustain and we manage to fill our reservoirs, long term forecasting has the drought outlook as "persisting or intensifying" and may extend into next year.

A recent look at the water conservation percentage since the Stage 2 Water Alert implementation shows 7% reduction during the first 2 weeks of February 2014, from the January consumption levels. However, usage remains 19% higher than February 2013 consumption.



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To assist in conservation, the District is offering several rebates and free conservation handouts, information available at the District office and its website www.rmcsd.com.

## Rebates Available

- High efficiency Toilets
- High efficiency Clothes Washer
- Pressure reducing valve
- Hot water recirculator
- Rotator Sprinkler Head
- Drip System
- Weather Based Controller

#### Free Conservation Handouts

- -Shower timer to limit water use
- -Irrigation Drip measuring tool to properly adjust drip flows
- -Rain Gauge to gauge irrigation need
- -Sprinkler adjusting screwdrivers to properly adjust spray or flow
- -Water saving shower heads saves water by restricting flow
- -Toilet leak detection dye tablets tests toilet flapper if leaking
- -Moisture Meters to determine if soil really needs irrigation or not
- -Kneeling pads to work on your irrigation

# Water Wise Audits available upon request

The District's Security Officers will be notifying District operations of any observed water waste for follow-up action.

All customers are encouraged to report observed water waste at 916-354-3700.

# **FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

- ♣ Received Security Department Annual Report
- ♣ Adopted WTP Expansion Project Mitigated Negative Declaration
- ♣ Approved District's Prop 218 Tiered Pricing Notification
- ♣ Approved Title 22 Engineering Report and Report of Waste Discharge
- Approved Proposal for WDR Requirement Renewal CEQA Compliance
- Approved Proposal for Updating District Standard Construction Specifications
- Approved Proposal for Quarterly and Annual Groundwater Reporting
- ♣ Approved Proposal for Production Well Construction
- ♣ Adopted Resolution 2014-03 Declaring Intent to Reimburse Expenditures from the Proceeds of Tax Exempt Securities
- ♣ Adopted Resolution 2014-02 Calling The General District Election

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 9, 2014.