RANCHO MURIETA February 2014



# **PIPELINE**

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A Monthly Newsletter

#### FEBRUARY IS NATIONAL....

American Heart Month

Time Management Month

Jobs in Golf Month

**Library Lovers Month** 

## **District Meeting Schedule**



### For February 2014

Security 8:30 a.m. January 31, 2014

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

Improvements 8:30 a.m. February 6, 2014

Finance 9:30 a.m. February 6, 2014

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

Joint Security T.B.A.

Parks Committee T.B.A.

5:00 p.m. February 19, 2014

#### STAGE 2 WATER WARNING CONSERVATION ALERT

Rancho Murieta is now under a STAGE 2 WATER ALERT that requires mandatory water use restrictions for homes and businesses. There is a probability that the District's reservoir supply will not be able to meet all the water demands of its customers.



#### Stage 2 Water Warning Conservation Measures

Use water efficiently. Water shall be confined to the consumer's property and shall not be allowed to run off to adjoining property or to the gutter. Care shall be taken not to water past the point of soil saturation. Customers are encouraged to report observed water waste. Two (2) to three (3) days per week using cycle and soak methods is sufficient for landscapes in the Rancho Murieta Community.

**NOTE:** During winter, landscapes need very little water due to colder temperatures and shorter days. Turn off your sprinklers to save money and conserve water.

All customers are encouraged to report observed water waste. The District's Security Officers will be notifying District operations of any observed water waste for follow-up action.

Prohibit washing of streets, parking lots, driveways, sidewalks, or buildings, except as necessary for health or sanitary purposes. High efficiency pressurized water brooms are required for these purposes, conventional pressure washers or hoses with shut-off nozzles are not allowed.

Landscape irrigation shall be watered efficiently, preferably with a weather based irrigation controller or hose timer. If a weather based controller is not installed, change the minutes of run-time for irrigation valves consistent with fluctuations in weather as determined by evapo-transpiration data provided by the District/Regional Water Authority.

Landscape irrigation shall be limited to a maximum of **two (2) days per week** when necessary and no watering schedule (e.g., additional minutes) increases are permissible on designated watering days. Two (2) days per week water is sufficient for landscapes in the Rancho Murieta Community. Customers are to use cycle and soak watering with up to three short watering cycles. Watering shall be based on the following schedule.

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- a. Customers in Watering Group A (Murieta North) may irrigate only on **Tuesdays and Saturdays**.
- b. Customers in Watering Group B (Murieta South, Murieta Village and commercial) may irrigate only on **Wednesdays** and Sundays.
- c. Watering times will be between the hours of 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. only.

Restaurants shall serve water only upon specific request.

Residents are strongly encouraged to reduce indoor water use by limiting showers, clothes washing and dish washing.

Tiered rate pricing is planned to be instituted at this stage to promote more equitable and efficient water use and in an effort to meet demand cutback goals. A drought surcharge may also be included as needed to maintain revenue stability and/or assist with achieving demand reduction goals as needed based on approved District policies and District Code – Chapter 14 – Water Code.

Visit <a href="www.rmcsd.com">www.rmcsd.com</a> for more information and water conservation tips.

#### **AUGMENTATION WELL UPDATE**

In December 2013, the Board approved moving forward with drilling new production wells for our drought augmentation water supply. The new well, or possibly wells, are located west of Cantova Way.

We are hoping to need only one, but we will drill additional wells to ensure we meet our augmentation supply need of 600 acre feet. Recall our three (3) reservoirs hold roughly 4,700 acre feet.

Our schedule is to begin construction in March 2014 and have the wells on line by September 1, 2014.

The augmentation wells will not provide all the water supply lost from reduced diversions this year, but will provide water supply in sufficient amounts for indoor use only. As augmentation to our water supply, the wells are intended to be used only in times of severe drought.

# JANUARY BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Received Presentation on Proposed Highway 16 Relinquishment
- Received Drought Planning Update; Approved Stage 2 Drought Measures
- ♣ Received Budget Process and Surplus Funds Process Presentation
- Approved Security ad Hoc Committee Formation
- Received Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project Update
- Approved GE Contract for Membrane System
- Approved HDR Fee Agreement Amendment #1
- Approved GM Recruitment Proposal
- Approved GM Employment Agreement Amendment