RANCHO MURIETA June 2016



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COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A Monthly Newsletter

JUNE IS NATIONAL...

Foster Care Month
Stroke Awareness Month
Dairy Month
Accordion Awareness Month



FOR JUNE 2016

June 3, 2016

Security @ 8:30 a.m.

Finance @ 9:00 a.m.

Improvements @ 9:30 a.m.

June 6, 2016

Communications & Technology @ 4:00 p.m.

Personnel @ 4:30 p.m.

June 15, 2016

District Board Meeting @ 5:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

SWRCB REVISED WATER CONSERVATION APPROACH

On May 18, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) adopted a localized "Stress Test" approach to water conservation that mandates urban water suppliers act now to ensure at least a three (3) year supply of water to their customers under drought conditions. The revised emergency regulation also lifts the 25% conservation mandate for small water suppliers, such as the District, and returns management of conservation to the local agency. However, the revised emergency regulation continues to require the District to take actions to encourage or require our customers to conserve water. The District Board of Directors will consider revising the current two days per week irrigation restriction to allow irrigation three days per week at a special meeting in May. The SWRCB revised emergency regulation is effective June 1, 2016.

SWIMMING POOL COVERS

Did you know solar swimming pool covers are a practical and economical way to save money on your pool expenses? A cover can lower your overall pool maintenance costs, including heating and chemical use. Pool covers help reduce evaporation, which means less water needed to refill the pool. Pool covers can also lessen the time spent cleaning the pool by helping to keep debris out.

SUMMER IS SNAKE SEASON

It's summer, which is the time rattlesnakes are looking for cozy places to "hang out". If you are working in your garden or landscape, be especially watchful. Also, if you are walking our dog, be sure it is on a leash and not off investigating" sights and sounds where it can be bitten.

Reminder: snakes are great swimmers, so be careful when you swim in the river or lakes.

REBATES AVAILABLE

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

High Efficiency Toilets

Water Pressure Reducing Valve

Rotator Sprinkler Head

Weather Based Controller

High Efficiency Clothes Washer

Hot Water Recirculator

Drip System

Irrigation Efficiency Program – (Includes Turf Replacement)



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MAINTAIN YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Irrigation systems need regular maintenance to keep them working efficiently year after year. Damage from lawn equipment or improper winterization can cause leaks and other serious problems.

- ♣ Inspect your system monthly. Check for leaks, broken or clogged sprinkler heads, and other problems. Clean clogged screens and micro-irrigation filters as needed.
- → Adjust sprinkler heads. Remove or correct obstructions that prevent sprinklers from distributing water evenly. Adjust sprinkler head positions and spray patterns to avoid watering sidewalks or structures and to provide necessary clearance over growing plants.
- **Check the pressure.** Pressure can change over time and negatively affect system efficiency.
- ♣ Inspect the system for leaks. Leaks are a huge water waster. A good contractor can perform regular maintenance checks for leaks, broken or clogged spray heads, and other problems. Ask them to show you common problems to watch for between visits.
- **↓ Install a rain shutoff switch.** These inexpensive sensors can be retrofitted to almost any system and help compensate for natural rainfall by turning off your system in rainy weather.
- **Consider "smart" technology.** Climate or soil moisture sensorbased controllers evaluate weather or soil moisture conditions and then automatically adjust the irrigation schedule to meet the specific needs of your landscape.
- **♣** Consider low volume, micro irrigation for gardens, trees and shrubs. Drip (or trickle) irrigation, micro-spray jets, micro-sprinklers and bubbler irrigation all apply a very small amount of water, slowly and precisely, minimizing evaporation, runoff and overspray.
- ♣ Have your system audited. Contact the District to have a Water Wise Audit performed on your home and outside irrigation. The District provides this service at no cost to Rancho Murieta residents as part of our on-going conservation efforts.

MAY BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Reviewed Proposed 2016/2017 Budget and Capital Improvements Projects
- Approved Transfer of Reserve Funds
- Approved Proposal for Pre-Design Report for District's Recycled Water Program
- Approved California Special Districts Association's Bylaws Update
- Received Parks Committee Update
- Received Midge Fly Ad Hoc Committee Update

THE DISTRICT OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MAY 30, 2016 FOR MEMORIAL DAY.

