



PIPELINE

COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A Monthly Newsletter

USELESS INFORMATION

A pipe 2 feet in diameter will allow four times more fluid to pass through it than a pipe 1 foot in diameter.

LAGUNA JOAQUIN LAKE LEVEL ON THE RISE!

(August 21, 2017) After wetting the ditch late Friday afternoon, the Rancho Murieta Community Services District (CSD) staff was able to finally open the valve at Granlees Dam early Saturday morning, restarting river flow into the Cosumnes Irrigation Canal, with flow split between Laguna Joaquin and the downstream Ranchers.

“Final installation of four new valves by the District’s contractor TNT Construction was not completed until 11:15 p.m. Friday night,” advised Edward R. Crouse, Interim General Manager of CSD.

“Special thanks to Josh Twist of TNT and his crew of Steve Decker, Derrick Wilson, and Victor Gutierrez who worked tirelessly around the clock (beginning Thursday) to get the new cast iron and stainless steel valve structures installed”. “Some of this work was performed over 20 feet below ground in cramped quarters in these diversion structures,” noted Crouse. “And we very much appreciate TNT’s willingness to “get it done” so the ditch could return to service by the weekend.”

Two of these valve structures were installed Thursday at the main diversion structure behind the Country Store and the other two were installed Friday behind the fire station so that the ditch could be restarted. The 1,400 feet of new 42” pipe that is now installed, just south of Highway 16, runs the entire stretch from the County park property, south of the Yellow Bridge, to the diversion structure behind the Country Store. This work included a new headwall structure, built to pick up the ditch flow from the unlined ditch at the edge of the County Park property to this main diversion box at the north end of the Murieta Gardens Project.

When the ditch was empty and staff could gain access to evaluate the valves in the diversion box, it became clear to the District that the valves could not be repaired and ordered their replacements. “All resources necessary to get the new valves to the jobsite before the restart was employed, as CSD staff drove to Fresno to pick up the valves”, commented Crouse. “Otherwise we would have had to take the ditch offline again to install the new valves at a later date”.

The epic floods last winter filled the ditch with debris and sand, breached the ditch, and exposed many leaks that had to be repaired. Assistance from Anderson Ranch Manager Marc Shinkle, and Leland Schneider Jr., who farms the Anderson Ranch properties, helped make major repairs along the two-mile section of the canal above the Yellow Bridge including concrete lining of ditch sidewalls while CSD staff replaced culverts. Other minor repairs were also completed during the recent shut-down. (continued - other side)



September 5, 2017

Improvements @ 8:30 a.m.

Finance @ 9:30 a.m.

Personnel @ 10:00 a.m.

September 7, 2017

Security @ 4:00 p.m.

Communications &
Technology @ 4:30 p.m.

September 20, 2017

District Board Meeting
Open Session @ 5:00 p.m.

***The public is invited
to attend.***



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The main diversion box (behind the Country Store) can divert the ditch flow via 42" pipe to Laguna Joaquin or through a siphon and separate 36" pipe, which goes under Murieta Drive and connects to the outfall diversion box behind the fire station. The flow can be allocated in both directions simultaneously. Water began entering the new pipe around 8:30 a.m. Saturday. By 11:30 a.m., the siphon had been established and Travis Bohannon, Chief Plant Operator of CSD operations, began allocating the flow into Laguna Joaquin. By Sunday noon, about 4 million gallons had been added to the lake.

CHANGES IN THE SECURITY DEPARTMENT

On July 31, 2017, Edward R. Crouse, Interim General Manager, announced Steve Mobley as the District's Interim Security Chief. Steve retired from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department in 2011. He also served on the District's Board of Directors from 2008 to 2012. Mr. Crouse stated, "Steve brings a unique set of skills and local background on security issues to lead the Department through its transition period".



On a sadder note, Sergeant Michael Scarzella will be retiring at the end of August, 2017, to spend more time with his family. Mike started with the District September 2009 as a Security Patrol Officer and promoted to Patrol Sergeant on January 9, 2016. Our best wishes to Mike.

AUGUST BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- ✚ Adopted Resolution R2017-08 Placing Delinquent Accounts on Tax Rolls of Sacramento County for Collection
- ✚ Adopted Resolution R2017-09 CFD #2014-01 Annual Bond Levies
- ✚ Adopted District Injury Illness Prevention Program Update
- ✚ Adopted District Policy P2017-03, Debt Management
- ✚ Approved Payment of Consulting Fees for Preparation of Capital Improvement and Water Augmentation Fees Report
- ✚ Approved Quote from N.J. McCutchen, Inc. for Replacement of Wastewater Reclamation Plant Hydro-Tank
- ✚ Approved Quote from Prodigy Electric, Inc. for Replacement of The Michigan Bar Sub-Drain Panel
- ✚ Approved Proposal from HDR, Inc. For Emergency Well Project Environmental Mitigation Measures

**The District Administration Office will be closed
September 4, 2017 for Labor Day**

