



A Monthly Newsletter

March 2023

Serving the Community

“Your Independent Local Government Agency Providing Water, Wastewater, Drainage, Security and Solid Waste Services”

District Meeting Schedule For March 2023

Committee Meetings Will Be Held in Person

March 2, 2023

Communication & Technology @ 8:30 a.m.
Security @ 10:00 a.m.
Special Finance @ 11:00 a.m.

March 7, 2023

Improvements @ 8:00 a.m.

Board Meeting Will Be Held In Person

March 15, 2023

District Board Meeting @ 5:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

All meeting dates and times are subject to change. Be sure to check our website, www.rmcsd.com for any changes

BE SURE TO LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

RANCHO MURIETA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT INTEGRATED WATER MASTER PLAN

GET INVOLVED!



Join us and our consulting team at the first public engagement opportunity to learn about and provide input about the Integrated Water Master Plan, one of the most significant documents we have developed in decades.

Following the Town Hall meeting, we are planning a series of public engagement opportunities as the Master Plan is developed and hope you will stay involved!

Special Meeting of Communications & Technology Committee

Sat. March 18, 2023, 10am

Murieta Room, Rancho Murieta County Club

Learn about our water supply, water storage and climate change impacts and how a data-related approach to water planning will guide our community's water future for years to come. Also discuss District responsibilities, opportunities and challenges, ask questions and provide feedback about the master plan.

E-News and Project Webpages

Please sign up for District e-news updates on our website and check www.ranchomurietacsd.com/water-master-plan to find additional project information and ongoing updates.

Questions or Ideas?

Email us at masterplan@rmcsd.com



CHANGES TO CURBSIDE WASTE SERVICES

As part of our continued partnership with the Community of Rancho Murieta, Cal-Waste wants to share some information regarding solid waste with your community.

	TRASH	RECYCLING	ORGANIC WASTE
Old Cart Colors			
New Cart Colors REQUIRED BY STATE			

Changes have been made to curbside collection as of January 1, 2023, to be compliant with California Senate Bill 1383 by way of Organic Waste recycling taking the place of Yard & Garden Waste.

The Organic Waste cart continues to be the correct cart for yard and garden waste, and now food waste and food soiled paper must be included in that cart. Please reference the January and February issues of the Rancho Murieta Pipeline for more information regarding the new Organic Waste program or visit Cal-Waste.com/Rancho-Murieta/.

The replacement of Yard & Garden Carts with Organic Waste Carts is not the only change to come with this new state law. The law also requires that all collection programs across the state follow a standardized color-coded system. The requirements of the color-coded system are as follows:

- All TRASH receptacles must be gray or BLACK.
- All RECYCLING receptacles must be BLUE.
- All ORGANIC WASTE receptacles must be GREEN.

This new color-coded system is to help people practice consistent waste sorting habits regardless of where they may be in the state.

Cal-Waste will be providing new carts to the residences of Rancho Murieta CSD in the next couple of months. **Please continue to use the brown trash cart, green recycling cart, and gray organic waste cart at this time.** We will provide more information regarding the change to the new carts very soon.

The state mandate has its challenges, and Cal-Waste is here to help through the adjustments to meet compliance. For more information about organic waste, please visit Cal-Waste.com/Rancho-Murieta/. To use the Waste Wizard tool to look up proper disposal of household items and to set collection day reminders, please download the FREE Cal-Waste Recycles Right Mobile App, available on all mobile devices. Also, comprehensive waste collection information can be found at Cal-Waste.com. Cal-Waste Customer Service is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at (916) 354-4154 or at CustomerService@Cal-Waste.com.

DEER CREEK/SCOTT ROAD CROSSING STREAM GAUGE

Here is the link to check the stream level of Deer Creek and Scott Road due to rains and possible flooding.
http://www.sacflood.org/sensor.php?site_id=1133&device_id=7&view_id=1

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BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday—Closed

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FEBRUARY 13, 2023 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Approved Resolution R2023-04 Designation of Applicant’s Agent for FEMA applications

FEBRUARY 15, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Received updates on contracting emergencies for Lake 11 and Rio Oso
- Adopted Ordinance O2023-02 approving changes to Chapter 3 Conflict of Interest Code
- Adopted Resolution R2023-03 approving changes to MOU with OE3 to include ballistic vests as part of Security Patrol uniforms
- Received update from GM Transition Ad Hoc Committee
- Introduced Ordinance O2023-01 updating District Code Chapters 14, 15, 16, 21 and 31 regarding Refunds and Collections
- Instructed Staff to proceed with Budget process and Prop 218 rate increase notice for FY 2023-24

FEBRUARY 2023 COMMITTEE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Improvements Committee

- Discussed Sed Basin Contract with TNT

Security Committee

- Received monthly updates
- Discussed adding Ballistic Vests to uniform moved to 2/15/2023 Board Meeting

Finance Committee— Cancelled

Communications & Technology Committee

- Discussed Integrated Water Master Plan communications and meeting outline

What is acceptable in the Organic Waste Cart?

Food waste and food soiled paper, such as napkins and paper towels, must now be thrown away in the Gray (soon to be Green) Cart along with yard waste. The Gray Yard Waste Cart is now considered the Gray Organics Recycling Cart.

Any plastic, metal, and glass are not accepted in the Gray Cart. Please keep in mind that there are plastic items, such as cups or utensils, marked as bio-degradable or compostable and they are NOT accepted in the Gray Cart. These plastic items are not widely regulated for their accuracy of labeling, and they break down over a much longer timeline than yard waste and food waste. All plastic bags should go in the Brown Trash Cart. Gray Carts are serviced every week on the same day as Brown Carts.

Cal-Waste does not allow compostable bags in any of their residential organics programs.

Employee Spotlight – Chris Funakoshi – Accountant

Chris Funakoshi joined the District July 19, 2022 as a temporary Accountant. We were very pleased to welcome him as a regular employee on January 30, 2023 as our permanent Accountant. Chris spends his time at the District Reconciling bank statements, helping accounts payable & Receivable, adjusting journal entries, organizing documentation and preparing for our Audit. In his spare time, Chris enjoys playing video games. Welcome Chris!!



The many projects CSD Worked On in 2022

2022 was a busy year for District employees. There were many projects that our operations staff replaced last year. Some of these projects were planned and budgeted for, and some were not anticipated, neither were their costs. These were major infrastructure improvements that will benefit the Community for years to come. Below is a list of projects, both planned and unplanned, and the fiscal impact of each:

<u>Unplanned</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Tertiary Pump Rehabilitation	\$ 47,722
Repair Leak on De La Cruz	\$ 83,785
Midge Fly Abatement in Laguna Joaquin	\$ 30,000
Lift Station 6B Pump Replacement	\$ 14,052
Lift Station 6B Wiring for Pump Replacement	\$ 17,480
Water Conveyance Options Basis of Design Report	\$ 43,190
Accounting Services	\$ 184,657
Design of Repair for Lake 11	\$ 21,380
Lake 11 Emergency Repair Project	\$ 333,522
Emergency Repair to Rio Oso Pressure Station	\$ 104,587
TOTAL	\$ 880,375
<u>Planned</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Water Treatment Chlorine Gas to Hypochlorite Conversion	\$ 892,000
NaOCl Tertiary Disinfection Upgrade	\$ 1,300,000
Granlees Safety Improvement	\$ 945,000
Water Plant Drying Bed Rehab	\$ 65,000
Integrated Water Master Plan	\$ 295,000
Rio Oso Pump Configuration & Install	\$ 380,000
Lift Stations Rehab	\$ 591,000
GIS Updates	\$ 92,058
Chlorine Meter Replacement	\$ 15,000
DAF Bearing Replacement	\$ 60,000
Condition Assessment	\$ 20,000
Chlorine Meter Replacement	\$ 15,000
Safety Center Repairs	\$ 68,000
Security Vehicle	\$ 35,000
Security Cameras	\$ 332,350
TOTAL	\$ 5,105,408

Fix a Leak Week

Leaks Can Run, but They Can't Hide

Are you ready to chase down leaks? Household leaks can waste nearly 1 trillion gallons of water annually nationwide, so each year we hunt down the drips during Fix a Leak Week. Mark your calendars for EPA's annual Fix a Leak Week, March 20 through 26, 2023—but remember that you can find and fix leaks inside and outside your home to save valuable water and money all year long.

From family fun runs to leak detection contests to WaterSense demonstrations, Fix a Leak Week events happen from coast to coast and are all geared to teach you how to find and fix household leaks.

Learn how to find and fix leaks during Fix a Leak Week. It's as easy as 1-2-3. Click here for detailed information <https://www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week>

RESERVOIR LEVELS

We understand that the Community is very interested in the levels of the Reservoirs, so we plan to update you monthly on those levels through the winter and spring. As February 22, 2023 the Reservoirs levels are:

Calero	89% Full
Chesbro	90.8% Full
Clementia	100% Full

HOW TO CONTACT THE DISTRICT

Visit us on the web at www.rmcsd.com!

*The District's Administration Office is located at: 15160 Jackson Road, Rancho Murieta

*Our mailing address is: P.O. Box 1050, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683; Main Office: 916-354-3700

*South Gate: 916-354-3743 *Contact the South Gate for after-hours water problems.*