

San Simeon Community Services District

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NEWSLETTER

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grant

'Concerned' citizens contacted the National Fish and Wildlife Federation with false allegations of conflicts of interest and fraud, convincing the NFWF General Counsel that SSCSD applied for the grant knowing that the SSCSD did not qualify. There is an exception to the grant qualifications that allowed the SSCSD to apply and the firm hired by the SSCSD stands in support of the grant application. A substantial portion of the \$125,000 grant was for a Coastal Hazard Response Plan (CHRP) mandated by the Coastal Commission which built on existing base line efforts. The actions by the community members, who continue to spread false information about the SSCSD, have resulted in a substantial loss for the district, which will now have to pay directly for the cost of the CHRP.

Winter Water saving tips:

Turn off or reduce your irrigation system.

Lawns can be watered less frequently during cooler weather. Remember to turn off your irrigation system during and after rain and consider installing a rain sensor that does this automatically for improved water conservation.

Install a rain barrel. Install a rain barrel to collect rainwater over the winter. This will conserve water and save money on your water bill. Harvested rainwater can be used for many things, including watering your lawn, washing your car, washing driveways, watering plants and bushes. Please contact the SLO County for more information.

shutoff valve. Make sure you know the location of the main shutoff valve in your home. If a pipe bursts you'll need to use this valve to shut off the water to the house. Consider putting a tag on the valve so it's clearly identified. Make sure your family members or roommates know where it is so they can use it in case of an emergency.

Implement these three everyday water-saving tips. Keep showers to five minutes or less to save up to 1,000 gallons per month. Turn off the water while brushing your teeth to save up to 50 gallons a week. Run your washer and dishwasher only when they are full to save up to 1,000 gallons a month.

Get involved with the SSCSD

The SSCSD welcomes input and participation from the San Simeon community and encourages residents to attend the monthly board meetings. Details about the next board meeting and how to attend are included at the bottom of this newsletter. In addition to the monthly newsletters, information regarding the

SSCSD can be found at www.sansimeoncsd.org. Residents can also contact SSCSD staff by visiting the office at 111 Pico Avenue in San Simeon or calling 805-927-4778. The District office has masks, plexiglass and hand sanitizer to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Board of Directors Meeting

The next board of directors meeting will take place on Thursday February 11, 2021 @ 6 PM via Zoom. Meeting details:

- <https://zoom.us/j/9270537206?pwd=RDNMcTErb2E1TmswRG51WGNEZVJLQT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 927 053 7206
- **Password:** 114376
- +1 669 900 9128, 9270537206#
- +1 346 248 7799, 9270537206#

The San Simeon Community Services District is committed to maintaining the highest standard of fairness, ethics and integrity in all that we do, while producing positive results that improve sustainability and control operating costs.

Water Services Suring COVID-19

San Simeon Community Services District (SSCSD) wishes to reassure our water service customers that during the ongoing Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic staff continues the uninterrupted delivery of reliable, clean water for our residents and businesses. Our staff has been working diligently to continue to serve the community and maintain the water and wastewater facilities while adhering to state and county guidelines and practicing social distancing measures.