

San Simeon Community Services District



July – September 2014

NEWSLETTER

3rd Quarter July 25, 2014

Message from the General Manager

2014 has been the driest year since 2007 and before that 1990. It is imperative that we continue to conserve water and San Simeon residents have been doing a great job. I would like to commend our residents for their fast acting conservation efforts. We asked for everyone to conserve, and the response was enthusiastic and proactive. In most cities, recently enacted conservation methods such as we use are new and hard rules to live by. Not watering plants and cutting back water use can be very burdensome for some; however, imperative during the drought. We asked for conservation and our residents responded. While other areas are uncertain about their water supply, it is because of your quick response that we have water now and through the summer. I applaud your enthusiasm and commitment to our community's well being!

Given the prolonged nature of the drought we are concerned that conservation is not enough to ensure an adequate supply of water. Staff is doing their part by trying to find other means to secure our potable water resource. Our Recycled Water System is currently the best option we have when considering a way to save drinking water. If we can implement more permitted uses for recycled water outside our homes, then we can conserve our drinking water for inside our homes.



Recycled Water after Filtration and Disinfection

Alternative Solutions in Water Conservation

Staff worked with vendors and contractors to install equipment that increased the discharge pumping capability of the Small Scale Recycled Water Facility. Installation includes a 100 GPM (gallons per minute) pump compared to the current 25 GPM pump. The faster pump will allow for larger trucks to fill their tanks without sitting for an excessive time. This was a request from the larger truck distributors, so that their time spent filling their truck would be less of an impact to the San Simeon consumer. Also added was a 2500 gallon holding tank. The larger tank will assist in meeting the water demand created when filling a large truck.

Staff is currently discussing the possibility of Cal Fire using recycled water to put out fires instead of using potable water. The larger tank and pump will assist to accommodate Cal Fire's demands when putting out fires within the San Simeon District boundaries.

Other avenues for use of recycled water are being considered by the District to help offset the potable water demand. The quality of recycled water we produce has potentially many uses. These uses can assist us in saving potable water for our drinking water demand. The District will keep you updated as we get closer to finding new solutions to conserve water.



Now that is quality Recycled H2O!



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***** Next San Simeon CSD *****

Board of Director's Meeting
Wednesday, August 13, 2014
Cavalier Ballroom
6:00 PM