The Waterline



Arrowbear Park County Water District

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ONSERVATION FLAGS



On March 22, Wade Crowfoot, Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency warned, "California is well into its third year of drought and with winter ending in a very dry way, water conditions will get more challenging in coming months," Arrowbear Park County Water District is committed to conserving our precious water resources and to that end the District has a Water Conservation Policy (which can be found at www.arrowbearwater.org). The policy was instituted in order to protect the health, safety,

and welfare of the residents and customers of the District; assure the maximum beneficial use of the water supplies of the District; and ensure sufficient water supplies to meet the basic needs of human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection. Throughout the District there are signs encouraging conservation and advising residents of the current conservation stage. To raise awareness for the current conservation stage the District will add colored flags to these signs. When the District is in Stage #1 (encouraging residents to exercise reasonable care in the use of water so as to not waste water by runoff of landscape watering, reducing water use, installing water saving fixtures, and repairing leaks) there will be green flags. For Stage #2 (outdoor watering and car washing mandatory restrictions) there will be yellow flags. For Stages #3 & #4 (increased mandatory restrictions and emergency drought pricing) the flags will be red. The goal of the flags is to raise awareness of the important nature of water conservation. With water uncertainty a way of life in California it is important that we do all we can to ensure we have enough now, and in the future.

Current Water Conservation: STAGE 2 Water saving tips and hints can be found at saveourwater.com



Board Meeting Highlights

Regular Board Meetings are the Third Thursday at 6:30 PM

January – Field Operations Supervisor Weber reported on the maintenance and repairs in the District. Interim Chief Lindley reported on the Fire Department calls and a change in the day of drills. General Manager Huff reported on the increased water sales to Running Springs, completion of the new water SCADA system, and the Rate Study progress. The Board elected Director Bunyea as President and Director Weber as Vice President.

February – Field Operations Supervisor Weber reported on the maintenance and repairs for the month, valve exercising, and dead-end line flushing. Interim Chief Lindley reported on the Fire Department calls and presented

some of the Department's goals and plans for the future. General Manager Huff reported on the audit progress, preparations underway for the spring pipeline projects (Encina and Willow), and presented the Annual SSMP Audit to the Board. The Board approved the employment agreement for the new Battalion Chief - Lamond Brooks, and discussed the Water Rate Study preliminary findings, and approved committee assignments for 2022.



March – Field Operations Supervisor Weber reported on the maintenance and repairs in the District and progress on preventative maintenance performed during the winter months. Interim Chief Lindley reported on FD calls and responses for the month, recruiting efforts, and the Fire Academy progress. In his administrative report, General Manager Huff reported on an SWRCB collaboration seminar, that audit procedures were going well, and that the District had received funds from the State to assist sewer customers affected by COVID-19. He also informed the Board about significant increases for property and liability insurance and reviewed options to lower those costs. The Board approved FD procedural changes, reviewed and discussed the Sewer Rate Study preliminary findings, authorized the General Manager to initiate Prop. 218 notification and Public Hearing, approved annual finance resolutions, and voted in the LAFCO Board elections.

NOTE: THE MOST RECENT FULL MEETING AGENDAS, APPROVED MINUTES, AND INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISTRICT'S MEETINGS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE, ARROWBEARWATER.ORG



ARROWBEAR LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Arrowbear Lake Fire Department is excited to announce our new Fire Explorer program for teens 14 – 18 years-old. This program is designed to serve the youth right here in Arrowbear Lake, providing them a once in a lifetime opportunity to serve their community, and receive real-world training at the Arrowbear Lake Fire Station with the department's firefighters. Interested teens must have completed the 8th grade, maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA, and have a desire to serve their community. Those who would like more information or to pick up an application can contact Fire Station 271 at (909) 867-3479 or visit us at during normal business hours at 33045 Hwy. 18 in Arrowbear.



Recently, the department appointed four new firefighters to serve the community. After completing their initial training, they will be serving you and your family. We look forward to their success and growth as the department continues to strive to maintain and improve our level of service throughout the community.





In other news, be on the lookout for information on the annual Arrowbear Lake Firefighter's Association Picnic as well as other community events to be hosted by the Fire Department.

Lastly, I would like to personally invite you to a Fire Department Open House and spaghetti dinner on Friday, May 13th at 6pm. This is the community's opportunity to meet with me and your local firefighters to discuss the community's desires and wants for the Fire Department. Let us know moving forward what is important to you as your community Fire Department.

Sincerely,

Paul Lindley, Interim Fire Chief ARROWBEAR LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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