

# The Waterline



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## 2018 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT ON COUGAR AND FOX

Arrowbear Park County Water District will return to work replacing the nearly 4 miles of 60-year-old 2" steel water mains in the District on April 24<sup>th</sup>. **Residents on Cougar (from Truman to Fox) and on Fox are asked to be patient and understanding during the project. Access may be limited between the hours of 8 am to 4 pm and residents are asked to exercise caution in the work areas.** Once completed, the new 8 inch line will be able to provide much more water flow for use in fighting a structure or brush fire and the addition of a new fire hydrant on the corner of Truman and Cougar will allow firefighters to connect fire hose closer to the fire. The anticipated life of the new C900 PVC pipe is 75+ years. The next streets to undergo pipeline replacement in 2019 will be Chipmunk and Squirrel. The full, tentative list of pipeline replacement projects is available at the District office.



## Board Meeting Highlights

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

**January** – Supervisor Miller reported on the maintenance and repairs in the District. Battalion Chief Ozias reported on the Fire Department calls, on the current progress of volunteer recruiting efforts, a scheduled CPR class for the community, and the Sale of the surplus fire engine. General Manager Huff reported on the successful recruiting and hiring for a new Serviceperson I (local resident and Grade 3 water distribution certificate holder, Shane Nickles). The Board re-elected Director Bonito for a second year as Board President and elected Director Bunyea as Vice President with Caroline Rimmer as Board Secretary. The Board also approved account signers, affirmed the regular board meeting day and time, and ratified APCWD Finance Corp. officers. During closed session, the Board approved a motion to present Running Springs with a revised WWTP Agreement.

**February** – Supervisor Miller reported on the maintenance issues for the month as well as the preventative maintenance being done during the winter. Battalion Chief Ozias reported on the Fire Department calls, the success of the community CPR class, and the possibility of a community first-aid class in the future. General Manager Huff reported on investigating costs for a SCADA system, his receipt of Grade 3 Treatment certification, and the progress of the operations manual revision with Supervisor Miller. President Bonito made 2018 committee assignments. The Board accepted the Annual SSMP audit from the General Manager and appointed General Manager Huff as negotiator for District purchase of real property. In closed session the Board approved a motion for an offer of no more than \$10,000 for vacant property adjacent to the District's Well #2 property.



**March** – Supervisor Miller reported on the repairs for the month and maintenance being done on the treatment plant (new valve lines, cleaning, and painting). Chief Hall reported on calls and responses for the month and gave an overview of the hazard abatement process they perform. General Manager Huff provided the Board with updates on the upcoming summer main replacement projects and the progress of updating the District's CCR to comply with new SWRCB requirements. Chad Halliday from the auditing firm SingerLewak presented the FY 2016-2017 audit which the Board accepted by motion. The Board moved to engage the auditing firm SingerLewak to perform the FY 2017-2018 audit. The Board also passed annual resolutions affirming the Districts investment policy and authorizing account signers. General Manager Huff presented the Board with a revised Surplus Water Purchase Agreement with Running Springs which the Board approved by motion. In closed session, the Board approved by motion the WWTP Agreement with Running Springs, provided Running Springs approved the revised Surplus Water Purchase Agreement.

**NOTE: THE MOST RECENT, FULL MEETING AGENDAS AND APPROVED MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE, ARROWBEARWATER.ORG**



# FIRE SEASON BRUSH CLEARANCES

Annually, all improved lots and parcels in Arrowbear need to comply with weed abatement measures to provide for fire defensible space around your property for your safety and for the safety of your neighbors. With fire inspections around the corner, we ask you, the community, to remember your property cleanup and to remind you we will be looking for fuels thinning and removal again this year. That means thinning and or removal of small trees (within 10' of another tree and within 15" of any structure) and high energy shrubs (junipers, manzanita, buck thorn, etc.). Maintain a 100-foot defensible space around structures:

- 10-foot ignition zone.
- 30-foot clean zone (or to property line).
- 70-foot reduced fuel zone (or to property line).

Tips for creating a defensible space:

- Clear ALL flammable vegetation from within 10 feet of propane tanks.
- Use hard surfaces (concrete, stone, asphalt, brick, etc.) in your landscaping.
- Trim tree branches within 10 feet of a chimney or stovepipe.
- Remove all needles and leaves from beneath decks and within two feet of any structure; in open areas, restrict needles and leaves to a depth of 2 inches to prevent erosion.
- Trim grass to 4 inches in height except where soil erosion is an issue, where 18 inches is allowed.
- Eliminate ladder fuels that allow flames to climb upward (such as tall shrubs, small trees, and low-hanging branches) in addition to other debris beneath trees.
- Space trees 20 to 30 feet apart, officials recommend.



To see the complete guidelines please reference the Arrowbear Park County Water District's web site ([www.arrowbearwater.org](http://www.arrowbearwater.org) - on the **IMPORTANT MESSAGES** Page), the County of San Bernardino (909) 884-4056, or on their website, (link can be found on our website), or at [www.sbcounty.gov/calmast/sbc/html/defensible\\_space.asp](http://www.sbcounty.gov/calmast/sbc/html/defensible_space.asp). You may also pick up a copy of the guidelines at the District Office at 2365 Fir Drive. We ask you to help us protect you, your property, and the beautiful place in which we live. Inspections will start June 1, 2018 and abatement notices will be sent out July 1, 2018 for noncompliance.

Sincerely,

*Isaiah Hall*, Fire Chief

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## SAVE THE DATE – THE 30<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE

The Annual Fire Fighter's Association Picnic this year will be held on Saturday, June 30, 2018 at 10:00 am at Arrowbear Park/Tucker Field. This is a great time for you to meet your Fire Department volunteers and us to meet you. We will have most of our apparatus and equipment there for you to see and plan on getting everyone "WET"...

Don't forget your chairs, towels, and sunscreen.