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TUD NEWSLETTER

SPRING DITCH OUTAGE SCHEDULED APRIL 28TH-MAY 5TH

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) will be making safety repairs and conducting maintenance on flume sections of the Tuolumne Main Canal in late May and early April. While the repairs are being made on the main canal, water from the Lyons Reservoir serving the Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD) system will be shut off from **Sunday, April 28th through Sunday, May 5th**. During this time, PG&E and TUD are asking area residents to conserve water.

During the repair period, water will not be flowing in the ditches, and the water supply will come from storage tanks and limited capacity groundwater wells. Conservation during this period is necessary to ensure adequate water supply for drinking, sanitary usage, and fire protection.

Here's how you can help:

- Limit outside watering
- Do not wash vehicles
- Turn off automatic lawn and drip sprinkler timers
- Repair water leaks

TUD requests that all customers continue to conserve for one additional week after the outage for the water storage supply to recover. For more information, visit www.tudwater.com.



JOIN US FOR THE 41ST ANNUAL HOME AND GARDEN SHOW

Stop by and visit TUD staff and Board Members at the 41st annual Home and Garden Show at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds in Sonora on Saturday, April 20th and Sunday, April 21st. At the TUD booth you will have an opportunity to learn about TUD's latest projects, find out more about the District and ask questions to staff and Board Members. We hope to see you there!

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE

The District is pleased to share the latest progress updates on a variety of our ongoing Capital Improvement Projects.

- The Mt. Provo Water Transmission and Intertie Project, which focuses on water consolidation and reliability by installing over 14,000 lineal feet of water main in the Ponderosa Hills area is steadily advancing. Over 6,000 ft of mainline have already been installed. Once weather conditions permit, crews are scheduled to resume work and anticipate mainline installation completion by Summer 2024.
- The Zone 4 Tank and Pump Station Project is progressing smoothly, involving the replacement of the aging 35-year-old tank, and merging the Zone 3 Tank into a new 400,000-gallon steel tank and relocating it to a more suitable site. The old tank has been removed, and the new tank is now in place at the new location, awaiting painting. This Spring, crews are scheduled to install a new pump station and over 1,000 feet of mainline installation.
- Progress continues on the Mono Village Tank Consolidation Project, where Tanks A and B have been removed, paving the way for a new tank that is currently out to bid.
- Exciting developments are underway for the Longway Loop at South Fork Project. The completion of the water main interties on Longway Rd. marks a significant milestone, with mainline installation set to commence this Spring.



HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN



Tuolumne Utilities District is updating its Hazard Mitigation Plan and needs your input. TUD is just one of many jurisdictions with its own annex in the Tuolumne County Local Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan which identifies the hazards threatening the community's water and sewer systems and proposed actions to mitigate those hazards. Mitigation projects are costly, and the district seeks grant funding to pay for them. Currently the district has applications for approximately \$6M for raw water storage and \$2M for protection of wooden flumes. Without an updated hazard mitigation plan, the district would not be eligible to apply for these grant funds or future hazard mitigation grant funds. Members of the community are invited to provide comments and feedback related to the TUD Hazard Mitigation Plan by sending us a message at

customersvc@tudwater.com and by entering "Hazard Mitigation Plan" into the subject line. Let's work together to keep our community safe!

DO YOU HAVE A LEAK?

Although leaks can sometimes be tough for the eye to spot directly, if you're on the lookout for the warning signs listed below, you've got a better chance at catching a leak in time to have it repaired before things get out of hand. What can you do?



Check the easy things first:

- Look for dripping faucets, irrigation leaks, running toilets, or a leaking water heater. Some leaks are sporadic and require a little more detective work while others may be obvious.
- It may be helpful to check your water meter. Make sure no water is being used inside or outside of your house. Locate the leak indicator on your meter to see if it is moving. Depending on the brand of your meter, the leak indicator could be a small triangular shaped dial or a small silver wheel that rotates when water is flowing through the meter. On newer, digital meters, a water droplet image will appear on the meter head which indicates you have a leak.

It might be out of sight:

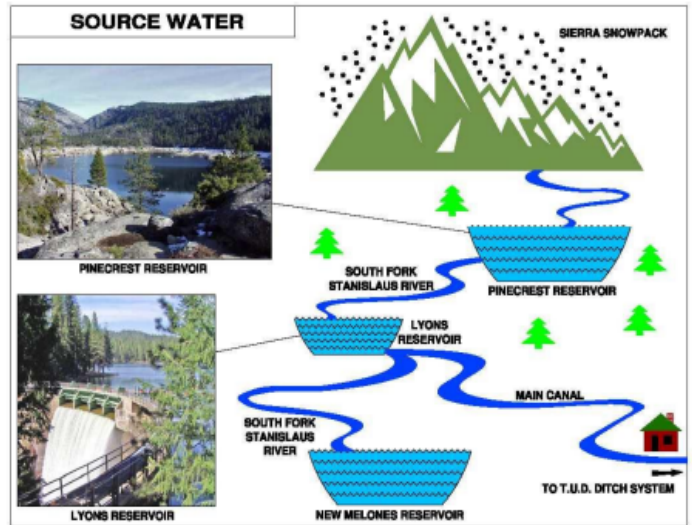
- After checking obvious areas, an underground leak is next in the investigations. These types of leaks can go undetected since most lines are buried at least 3 feet below ground level. If you are still unable to locate the leak, call a licensed plumber.

GENERAL MANAGER'S CORNER BY DON PERKINS

When Spring arrives, the question often gets asked, "How's our water supply?" While water supply questions are important, it is just as important to discuss the origins of our water. TUD receives its water supply from the Sierra Snowpack, as illustrated in the graphic below. This water is delivered to TUD starting at the South Fork of the Stanislaus River at Lyons Reservoir via the Tuolumne Main Canal by agreement with PG&E. PG&E owns and operates Pinecrest Lake, Lyons Reservoir and the Tuolumne Main Canal. In the summertime, TUD typically receives stored water first from Lyons Reservoir, then second from water stored in Pinecrest Lake.

Approximately 95% of TUD's customers receive water supplied through the Main Canal into the ditch conveyance system, a 72-mile open canal and flume system that diverts water to various treatment facilities where it is treated, tested, and then held in one of 60 storage tanks. Eventually the water will reach approximately 14,000 customer homes and businesses in Tuolumne County.

Currently, the water supply status for TUD is promising, with Pinecrest Lake maintaining storage levels at 36% capacity, 97% average to date and Lyons Reservoir showing a recent increase in storage. Recent storms have brought significant precipitation, bringing our region closer to its average rainfall totals and both reservoirs are expected to fill.



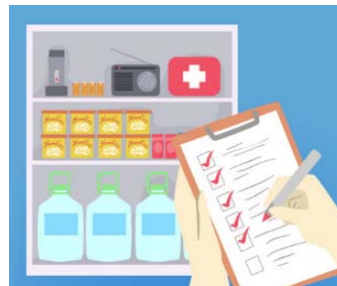
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Explore TUD's current & completed CIP Projects.



Find out what goes into your bill.



Tips to prepare for an emergency.



Find out where your water comes from.

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