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## WELCOME!



### BACKFLOW DEVICES

Does your home have a Sewer Overflow Protection Device? In the event of a sewer backup on either the main side or on the private lateral side, a Sewer Overflow Protection Device prevents sewage from backing up into your home. We encourage you to contact your local plumber to see if your home already has or is in need of this essential plumbing component!

We hope you find this newsletter informative and exciting. If you have any questions or require further information about any of the mentioned activities, please don't hesitate to reach out to Penny Cuadras at [pcuadras@hvlcsd.org](mailto:pcuadras@hvlcsd.org). For more updates and valuable resources, remember to visit our website, [hvlcsd.org](http://hvlcsd.org). Together, we strive to protect our community's water and wastewater systems, ensuring a sustainable and prosperous future for all.

THE MISSION OF THE HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT IS TO PROVIDE, MAINTAIN AND PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY'S WATER.

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Hidden Valley Lake Community Services District has some exciting updates and news to share with you! We continue to provide a concise report of important news and events and how they affect your water and wastewater systems. As always, if you have questions about items in this newsletter, please email them to Penny Cuadras, at [pcuadras@hvlcsd.org](mailto:pcuadras@hvlcsd.org). We will respond to your inquiries as soon as possible. In the meantime, we urge you to familiarize yourself with our website, [hvlcsd.org](http://hvlcsd.org) which contains a lot of helpful information. We encourage you to check it out!

## PROJECT UPDATES



▲ Vegetation around the Unit 9 tank site was removed, and land is ready for the construction phase.

### WATER STORAGE RELIABILITY

This project will replace an aging wooden tank with two larger steel tanks. We are excited to share that construction will be starting soon!

District staff have been very busy removing vegetation in preparation for on-site construction. A total of 19 full-size oak and pine trees were removed in-house by staff - stumps and all; talk about cost-savings! At the July Board Meeting the District

adopted a resolution to award Brelje & Race Consulting Engineers a contract for construction management and inspection services for the project. Actual construction of the tanks will be completed by C.V. Larsen.

As this project progresses, please note that there will be active construction in the Eagle Rock area. Be sure to abide by all traffic signs and flaggers for everyone's safety.

The District hosted a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, August 21 to inform constituents about the Unit 9 Tank, along with other water storage reliability projects. If you missed the meeting, you can watch a recording of it on our website: [hvlcsd.org/2023-08-21-town-hall-water-storage-reliability-project](http://hvlcsd.org/2023-08-21-town-hall-water-storage-reliability-project).



### DEFENSIVE SPACE AND IGNITION RESISTANT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Like the Backup Power Reliability Project which aims at creating wildfire resiliency, under this project the District will construct fire-resistant buildings around the water system's wells as well as replace another redwood water tank.

◀ Infrastructure like this at the well fields will be covered to protect it from wildfire.

### THE BACKUP POWER RELIABILITY PROJECT

The District recognizes the threat and susceptibility of our community to wildfire and has ongoing projects to build resiliency. This project aims at obtaining permanent generators at water pumping stations. This guarantee of power will ensure that we can get water everywhere it needs to go—from our tanks to our residents, to our firefighters. During the August Board Meeting the District authorized the purchase of these generators given an expected delivery date of mid-2024.

### SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION (SCADA)

The SCADA project, designed to redesign and improve the water and wastewater controls and network, is advancing as planned. During the August Board Meeting the District approved entering into a contract with water engineering firm, West Yost, to identify and apply for potential grant funding sources. Similar to how our community is experiencing the consequences of

inflation, the District is no different. Increasing operational costs for the water and wastewater sector coupled with increasing compliance costs complicate project feasibility. Receiving assistance in the grant funding process will help make the SCADA project more realistic at a time when these feasibility factors are obstacles.

**SUPERIOR REPORTING AWARD**  
WATER GUARDIAN

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Drinking Water

**Certificate of Issuance**  
for  
**HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE CSD**

This certificate recognizes HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE CSD for outstanding drought and conservation reporting in the 1st Quarter of 2023. By submitting complete reports on time and providing critical water level data, HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE CSD has demonstrated a commendable commitment to supporting California's statewide drought response. We appreciate your valuable contributions during this critical time in our climate history.

August 22, 2023  
Date

*Darrin Polhemus*  
Presented by Darrin Polhemus



### COMPLIANCE

**DROUGHT REPORTING:** In January 2023 the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) released an order requiring all community water systems to report technical information on water availability and drought conditions. Although the District is not experiencing the effects of drought, it has complied with the order and received a certificate for outstanding drought and conservation reporting during the first quarter of the order's issuance. Our staff will continue to work hard to ensure that your water and wastewater systems remain in compliance!