



DISTRICT SEEKS FINANCING FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS

Upgrades Will Allow District to Continue to Provide a Safe, Reliable Water Supply

SJWD is seeking to upgrade its water treatment plant to bring it in line with new, more stringent federal regulations and continue providing customers with reliable, high-quality water. The anticipated completion date of the project is December 2004.

Approximately \$13 million will be financed for the treatment plant upgrades. The district has worked extensively to explore ways of minimizing the cost impact of the upgrades on customers. As a result, the district secured \$6.5 million in grant funding from Proposition 13 through the Department of Water Resources to minimize the district's expenses. In addition to securing grant funding, a rate increase will be necessary to help finance the upgrades.

"The water treatment plant improvements are necessary to meet the new federal regulations and to continue to ensure a reliable, safe and high-quality water supply," said Assistant General Manager Shauna Lorange. "We are doing everything we can to minimize the impact to customers and keep our water costs reasonable."

While the exact amount of the needed rate increase has yet to be determined, the SJWD Board of Directors will discuss the rate increase at a public workshop on June 11. Action may be taken at the regular board meeting on June 25.

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Funding for Capital Improvement Projects

- Wednesday, June 11 at 7 p.m.
SJWD, 9935 Auburn-Folsom Road,
Granite Bay
- Visit www.sjwd.org for details on this workshop and regular board meetings.

BILLING CHANGES FOR FLAT RATE CUSTOMERS

To make better use of our new customer information and billing software and prepare for metered billing in 2005, SJWD is changing the way we bill our flat rate customers. Rates will not increase as a result of this transition — bills will just be calculated over a different service period. There will be no change to billing dates or due dates.

Start date: July and August billings

Key changes:

- Flat rate two-month charges convert to a daily charge.
- Flat rate customers will be billed two months in arrears, similar to how metered customers are currently billed.
- The first bill may be lower than normal during the transition.
- Subsequent bills will be a fairly consistent charge.

If you have any questions about your bill, contact SJWD customer service at (916) 791-0115.



Joe Alessandri

SJWD WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR

SJWD welcomes its newest director, Joe Alessandri, who was selected to fill a vacant seat after Glenn Miller resigned on March 1.

Alessandri has over 40 years of experience in water resources planning, engineering, construction and operations and was the founding chairman of the Sacramento Groundwater Authority. He is involved in a number of water organizations including the Regional Water Authority, Association of California Water Agencies and American Water Works Association, and is a past president of the Fair Oaks Water District Board of Directors.

"I pledge to continue to further the standards of excellence, dependability and community involvement that define the San Juan Water District," said Alessandri. He was selected from a pool of candidates within the district's service area and will serve on the board until the next regular election in November 2004.

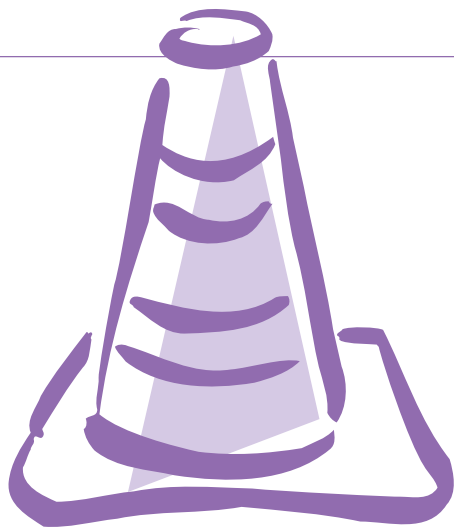
Alessandri replaces Glenn Miller, who served on the board for 11 years. Miller, a long time resident of Fair Oaks, left the board to complete his master's degree in business administration.

SJWD EVENTS — JUST A MOUSE CLICK AWAY!

Check out our Web site at www.sjwd.org to learn about upcoming SJWD events. On the meetings and events page, you can see what's coming up at SJWD, including free classes, community events and board meetings.



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ATTENTION: ROAD WORK TO BEGIN THIS SUMMER

Construction on an Auburn-Folsom Road widening project is expected to begin this summer. The road will be widened from Folsom Dam Road to the entrance of San Juan Water District. A portion of the road will be kept open to maintain traffic, but temporary delays may sometimes occur. All construction will take place during non-commute times to prevent major traffic delays. Please be careful when entering and exiting the district's property.

SWAP YOUR OLD LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION CONTROLLER FOR A FREE NEW ONE!

You may qualify to participate in our FREE landscape irrigation controller replacement program. Qualified customers can exchange their controllers for a water efficient model and rain sensor provided and installed at no charge. Please note that you must attend a workshop prior to installation to learn how to use your new controller. As always, we want to help you create a landscape that is more water efficient and healthy. The district is offering this program through a grant from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. To find out more, please call us at (916) 791-2663.

CALL THE CIMIS HELP LINE TO HELP YOU WATER WITH THE WEATHER

Need to know how much water you should apply to your landscape today? The California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) can help. By calling the **CIMIS help line** at (916) 725-1713, you will find out information about seasonal water needs of your landscape. You'll also learn how much water your landscape needs according to the latest evapotranspiration data. Evapotranspiration is the combined process of water loss by evaporation and water transfer to the air through plant tissues. The line is updated weekly.

SJWD SALUTES WATER WISE STUDENTS

To raise awareness about water efficiency among a younger audience, SJWD sponsored two contests in which local students expressed their creativity and water knowledge. The first contest was the annual Water Awareness Poster Contest. Students were asked to design a poster to visually express their thoughts about the importance of water efficiency. As always, many excellent posters were submitted and it was difficult to select just three winners. This year's winners include:



- 1st Place:** Austin Murray
- 2nd Place:** Alex Roggio
- 3rd Place:** Tyler Chesebro

For the seventh year in a row, SJWD also judged student projects that featured a water education theme at the annual Cavitt Junior High School science fair. The winners are:

- 1st Place:** Faith Chirbas from Mr. Pozzi's class for her "Water Run-Off" project.
- 2nd Place:** Paul Wonderly from Mrs. Davis' class for his project "Today's Folsom Lake."

Winners of both contests will receive a savings bond and a gift certificate to SunSplash and their teachers will receive money for equipment for their classrooms. Congratulations!

WATER QUALITY REPORT COMING SOON

Look for SJWD's annual consumer confidence report (CCR) coming your way this June. Each year, the district is required to prepare a CCR — which summarizes the results of more than 200 water quality tests to ensure safe drinking water — and distributes it to all SJWD customers. SJWD always meets federal and state requirements for drinking water. To view last year's CCR, please visit www.sjwd.org.

SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS ENACTED

As a result of the vulnerability assessment performed last fall, SJWD has recently implemented a number of security improvements to help ensure a safe, reliable water supply. Last year, SJWD was among the first three water agencies in the nation to receive a U.S. EPA grant for \$115,000 to conduct a vulnerability assessment and safeguard themselves against potential terrorist attacks following 9/11.



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