

SPUD NEWS

Your water district update...

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SPUD Has A Website!

In compliance with Senate Bill 929, SPUD has developed and launched a website! We were helped tremendously by a company called Streamline, which specializes in assisting Special Districts in website compliance, and received a scholarship through the California Special Districts Association which paid for website development and a full year of site hosting. You may now access meeting agendas and minutes, get contact information for the Board, view expanded newsletter content, and enjoy a slew of beautiful photos of the Sierra Valley. You may also submit comments and concerns electronically to the board. Simply type SPUD.specialdistrict.org or search "Water Boards SPUD" to access the site.

Capital Projects Update

Work is underway on our new water storage tank! Farr Construction is currently demolishing the old, structurally failed tank and preparing the site for the new one. We fully expect to have our new tank operational by early fall.

Why Do We Need A Second Tank?

SPUD only has a single 215,000 gallon storage tank, having decommissioned our original tank in 2003 due to structural failure. The current bolted steel tank, constructed in 1998, does fulfill the current Maximum Day Demand for customer use but it would NOT be able to accommodate the water requirements in the event of a wild land fire. A 1995 analysis determined a maximum Fire Flow Demand of 270,000 gallons over a 2-hour period. An EPA formula from 1992 determined that the Fire Flow Demand combined with the MDD would require SPUD to have a storage capacity of 410,000 gallons, and the combination of the existing tank and the new 200,000 gallon tank would be able to supply that demand. Additionally, having a second tank provides the ability to meet our customers' needs should maintenance of one tank be needed. Our current tank is nearing its estimated half-life of 50 years, and will need recoating or a lining installed soon. A second welded tank (with a lifespan of 100 years) will also allow supply in the event of an extended power outage, or contamination of our single Railroad Springs source. Further information is posted on the website under "Updates/SPUD News".

Meter Reading

SPUD began reading meters in early April. It is appreciated if property owners assist in keeping their meters accessible, free of dirt/mud, and clear of foliage! Meters are read at the beginning of each month through October. Thank You!



The SPUD Board of Directors meets at 6:00 pm on the third Wednesday of each month at the Sierraville School. Agendas are posted at the Post Office, School and on the website at least 72 hours prior. The public is always invited to attend and provide public comment.



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