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NEWSLETTER

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GOVERNOR SIGNS BILL MOVING WATER BOND TO 2012

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed legislation on August 10, 2010 moving the controversial \$11.14 billion water bond to the November 2012 ballot. The action to delay the bond came six weeks after the governor and legislative leaders announced their intent to move the bond, citing the state's economic woes and the need to focus on budget issues this year. AB 1265 renames the bond measure the Safe, Clean and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2012 and provides for it to go before voters at the Nov. 6, 2012, statewide election instead of the Nov. 2, 2010, election. It also modifies provisions regarding joint powers authorities formed to finance surface storage projects.

WATER SUPPLY A TOP ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE

Californians identify water supply as one of the most important environment issues facing the state, second only to air pollution, according to the latest statewide survey by the Public Policy Institute of California. The survey, which primarily gauged Californians views on climate change, energy policy and air pollution, found that water ranks among the top issues of concern for respondents. Though air pollution was identified most frequently by survey respondents, the next highest response was water supply, with 12% identifying it as a top issue in response to an open-ended question. More on the PPIC survey is available here: <http://www.ppic.org/main/publication.asp?i=949>

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES COMPLETES CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN

The Final California Water Plan Update 2009 is now available online. This five-volume report is the most comprehensive reference document on California water conditions, challenges and water resources and are available on the web as follows: <http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/cwpu2009/index.cfm>



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

USA North provides a FREE "Call Before You Dig" service to all excavators (contractors, homeowners and others). The one call to USA will automatically notify all USA Members who may have underground facilities at your work site. In response, USA Members (including Bella

Vista Water District) will mark or stake the horizontal path of their underground facilities, provide information about, or give clearance to dig. This simple service protects the excavator from personal injury and underground facilities from being damaged. Every person planning to dig should call USA at 811 / 1-800-227-2600. <http://www.usanorth.org/>

REVIEW PAST WATER USE AND PAY WATER BILLS ONLINE WITH I-WEB

Many customers have asked for a convenient online way to review past water use or to pay their water bills online. I-WEB is an online web portal that provides web based information services to District customers. Customers can now inquire about their usage history, account balance and make payments directly. However, there is a \$3.00 transaction fee if you decide to pay your bill on-line with i-WEB. The i-WEB system has been designed to secure your confidential account information and financial transactions. Customers that choose to utilize i-WEB to pay their bill will still receive a billing statement in the mail. Online bill payments can be made at the following website: http://epay.bvwd.org/inh_main.asp

DID YOU KNOW...

The District maintains a frequently asked questions (FAQ) listing as well as a collection of helpful “fact sheets” on the District’s web site. Topics include: “How Do I Read My Water Meter?” “Determining if you have a leak” and “How Do I Read My Residential Bill?” <http://www.bvwd.org/faq.htm>

CUSTOMER RECORDS

The District urges all customers to maintain and update their contact information, as necessary, with the District. This information can be critical in the event of water outages. Please notify the Customer Service Department at the District office to update your information.

DISTRICT PERSONNEL

Please join us in welcoming both Curtis Bloom and Mathew Leggee. Both have been hired for the position of Meter Reader and bring a variety of skills and experience after successfully undergoing an extensive hiring process

OFFICE HOURS

The District’s regular office hours are as follows: Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm; Friday – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board of Directors’ Meetings are open to the public and are held on the fourth Monday of each month beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the District office. Information, including Board Meeting Agendas and prior meeting Minutes, can be reviewed online at: www.bvwd.org.



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