

DISTRICT PROJECTS COMPLETED AND UNDERWAY

The District recently completed the replacement of approximately 700 feet of waterline in the Bear Mountain Road / Bernard Way area, which had been prioritized for replacement due to its history of line breaks, vulnerability and limited winter access. Local contractor Cox and Cox was the successful bidder and they utilized a trenchless, pipe-bursting methodology to replace the old 12-inch pipe with new pipe of the same size.

District crews have recently installed two new 24-inch valves on Swede Creek Road at each end of the Cow Creek Bridge to accommodate the installation of a replacement pipeline to be constructed with County's upcoming bridge replacement project. The District and County have entered into an agreement to jointly accomplish this work. The new valves will allow the District to isolate the old section of pipe that runs under the bridge through the creek and switch over to the new pipe once it's installed.

District crews are continuing with an aggressive water meter replacement program as well as performing maintenance and exercising of distribution system valves and hydrants. Annual backflow device testing will begin in January.

DID YOU KNOW....IT IS EASY TO CHECK FOR LEAKS USING YOUR METER

It is a good idea to check for leaks at least annually and it could save you money and costly property damage. A leak as small as a pencil lead, at a pressure rate of 40 psi, can result in usage of 8,000 gallons (1,070 cf) per day. To check for leaks, turn all water off indoors and outdoors. This includes any devices such as ice makers, washing machines, sprinklers, etc. Once water is off, verify whether the water meter's *Low Flow Indicator(aka Leak Indicator)* is moving. This small dial will rotate if water is passing through the meter. It is an indication of very low flows that would be visually undetectable on the regular sweep hand of the meter. If no one is using water, but the dial is turning, you may have an undiscovered leak in your plumbing system. If the meter shows no obvious movement, note the reading and return in a few hours to see if there has been any change. If any water is used during that time, the meter reading will change. If you find that there is movement on the meter when there should not be, this may be due to a leak. Check all appliances (dishwasher, clothes washer, and ice maker), faucets, toilets, pool systems, and irrigation systems.

If you need assistance locating your meter, contact the District office at (530) 241-1085 during normal business hours.

OFFICE HOURS

The District's regular office hours are: Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm and 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 pm at the District office.

Information, including Board meeting agendas, prior meeting minutes as well as this and previous newsletters digitally with active links can be reviewed online at: www.bvwd.org.