

THE WOODS

A Newsletter From The Cascadel Woods Property Owners Association
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Sunday March 13, 2016

Water Company News

Water System Recently Violated Drinking Water Standard

Following the required monthly monitoring for coliform bacteria, Cascadel Mutual Water Company (CMWC) members were notified that test results showed the presence of coliforms. Coliforms are bacteria, which are naturally present in the environment and used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful bacteria may be present, and is also a warning of potential problems. At no time was there any presence of E. coli or fecal coliform.

What was done?

The system and storage tanks were thoroughly chlorinated and flushed as of Tuesday, February 23. The chlorine was flushed from the system after 24 hours.

The chlorinated water was not safe to drink; however, it could be used for non-consumptive purposes. Bottled water was provided to full time residents.

The CMWS was resampled on Friday, February 27. Results were made available on the 28th and **no coliforms were present.** Members may now safely drink the water. CMWC thanks everyone for their patience and understanding while corrective actions were taken. Thanks also to Brian and Ken for quickly implementing those actions. For more information, if you spot a leak or need assistance, please contact the CWPOA or Water Company at (559) 877-2635 or cascadelwoods@netptc.net

Road Maintenance

Brian Curtis has continued to inspect and clean out culverts during storms, as necessary. The CWPOA has a bid proposal to complete the road repairs, which began last year.

Local News

Escaped Burn Pile

On February 24, an escaped burn pile started a small fire off Cascadel Drive. A timely call by the landowner and prompt response by Cal Fire Engine 4255 (Rancheria Station) stopped the forward progress of the fire within 10 minutes of their



arrival, according to Sierra News Online. Their efforts along with Cal Fire Engine 4285, one Mount Bullion Crew, USFS Engine 52 and Madera County Fire Engine 11 kept the fire to less than a ¼ acre in size. Firefighters stayed on scene for several hours to make sure the fire was dead out. Residents are reminded to follow all instructions on your burn permit, construct a fire line around your piles and do not burn when it is windy.

CSA-21 Lands

Our Supervisor, Tom Wheeler, said that the County is exploring its options regarding their desire to sell the CSA-21 property. Since this property is a benefit to all property owners, not only in recreational & property value but also as a shelter-in-place during a wildfire emergency, this proposed action by the county is raising many concerns.

The MAC committee has announced that they intend to resign after the March 5 meeting scheduled for 10:00 am at the clubhouse. In the interim, the county has approved the use of the clubhouse for the CWPOA, Fire-Wise and Children's Art Class events already scheduled through March.

We have enclosed the most recent CSA-21 Financial Report for your information. The total balance available is \$42,051.41.

Community Service

A thoughtful person visited several of our single or/and older residents this past month with a special gift. Recipients received a small load of split wood ready for their wood stoves.

Events and Meetings

- CSA-21 Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) Meeting**
The current MAC members are holding their final meeting Saturday, March 5 at 10 a.m. at the clubhouse.
- CWPOA Board of Directors Meeting**
Saturday, March 12 10:15 am at the clubhouse. Agenda enclosed.
- Breakfast in the Woods**
A complimentary breakfast of French toast, eggs, bacon, coffee and juice will be served at the clubhouse on March 12 from 9:30am to 10:15am, prior to the CWPOA Board Meeting.
- The Annual Cascadel Firewise Day**
BBQ and Pot Luck will be held Saturday, March 19 at 10 a.m. at the clubhouse.
- Water Company Board of Directors**
Next month Friday, April 8 at 4 p.m. at the clubhouse
- Firewise Committee/Fire Brigade**
Next month Saturday, April 16 at 10 a.m. at 59657 Hillcrest Road
- National Wildfire Community Preparedness Day May 7**
The Firewise Brigade/Committee has Been awarded a \$500 grant to assist in the clearing of fire fuels from private property.



thoughts and support are with Amy Duncan, Conservationist II Crew Supervisor, who along with her CCC crews assisted

our community with wildfire risk reduction and stream debris removal work. The Unity meeting which was canceled last month, has been scheduled for March 3, 2016. The plans are to serve the crews a nice lunch.

Tree Removal Crews

The CWPOA has been approached with a generous offer to remove downed trees at no cost to the property owners. The CWPOA is in contact with Cal Fire regarding permitting needs for the removal of the logs. We will keep everyone informed as the process develops.

Drought is not over

According to reports in the Fresno Bee the current percentage of capacity in the surrounding lakes are as follows:

Bass Lake	59%
Huntington Lake	41%
Mammoth Pool	24%
Millerton Lake	50%
Shaver Lake	62%
Pine Flat Res.	25%



BASS LAKE

El Nino Missing. Where-a-bouts - Unknown.

Reward for information! 😊

In Sympathy



Conservation Corps (CCC) crewmembers that lost their lives in a tragic vehicle accident. Our

Our hearts go out to the families, friends and co-workers of the three California



Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead on March 13!

Your Newsletter

We hope you enjoyed The Woods newsletter. Please send your submissions for the next newsletter, to: Aimee Cox at aimeeleigh1209@gmail.com by March 28.