# THIE WOODS

# A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION







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# BEGINNING OUR 4TH YEAR OF PUBLISHING THE WOODS NEWSLETTER

## WATER COMPANY/CWPOA NEWS

As of November 19, the spring is off line and the chlorination has ceased. However, it may take a few weeks to eliminate all traces of the chlorine in the system. We are now completely dependent upon our wells for water.

#### **RAIN IS HERE**

We were fortunate to have received a nice soft



rain in November. The Water Co. had a back hoe on hand to clear the culverts of debris if the rains became a torrential down pour like the past two years.

#### WINTER IS COMING

Be sure to shut your water off at the meter if you plan on being away for an extended period to prevent your pipes from freezing.

If you find that there is an emergency situation regarding water company leaks or equipment damage on or near your property, please call Ken @ 559-676-5387, Brian @ 559-877-4379 or Stan @ 559-877-6290.

These numbers are for emergencies only and not intended to conduct normal business.

## CMWC ROAD COMMITTEE by Ed Rose

Over the past month, three prominent contractors in our area were contacted to obtain estimates for identified road maintenance and repairs. One bid is in the works in addition to an existing estimate. Two road repairs were authorized as these were deemed acute to potential seasonal damage and drive-ability issues.

In preparation for the new street signs and in alliance with the Firewise Brigade, several

signposts have been replaced with more yet to come. These posts were set with cement and will receive additional exterior coating. Those individuals who have expressed interest in the Road Committee will be notified when the next meeting is called. If you have any interest or ideas, contact Ed Rose at 209.626.6450.

#### FIREWISE COMMITTEE/BRIGADE

The new green reflective street signs have been received. One set of signs are already up.



The placement of the new Fire Box was also agreed upon by the Board. It will be placed on the first curve on Cascadel Drive South.

Equipment donations have been promised for the new box.

#### **Culvert Repair**

On Monday November 26, the repairs were completed to the open culvert located on Cascadel Drive, near the arch.



#### **DEFEND YOUR HOME**

- 1. When you need to replace a wood fence that attaches to the home, consider using a fire retardant material or try to avoid connecting the fencing to the home.
- 2. Consider replacing dead plants or trees with plants that are fire resistant.
- 3. When being evacuated from the home, remember to put the lawn furniture cushions

inside. Try to remove all flammables from the decks and patio's.

More ideas next month.

#### Cal Fire Safe Council 2018 Grant

The CWPOA applied for this grant in the amount of \$300,000. The Grant is due to be awarded to the lucky winners in November. If the CWPOA is not fortunate enough to be awarded this grant, they will be applying for another one right away. Updates will be here in The Woods newsletter.

# Chipping Day-Wednesday November 14

The Firewise Brigade hosted a chipping day on November 14. The crew cleared a section of Vista Drive East that had experienced fallen



limbs and trees during the Mono Winds of October. The five person crew cleared the area in less than one hour. They moved on to Loma Linda Drive

and cleared staged debris from the ravine and

the removal of dead
Manzanita's from two properties.
This area took about one hour to chip. It was a quick



day's work by the volunteers. Thank you all for your devotion to this community.

#### **Back Hoe Fire**

A fire broke out on a parked back hoe in the subdivision. Thankfully a nearby resident

came home just after the fire began and got a lawn hose on the fire and called Cal Fire.



It was fortunate the rains had

already soaked the grounds and brush which certainly assisted in keeping the flames from spreading too far. Damage was contained to the back hoe. Cal Fire responded and the fire was contained in a short time.

Thanks to the resident who jumped right in without hesitation.

#### CSA-21

As of October closing, the Cash Balance of the CSA funds is \$5,549.

In last month's news letter, The CWPOA asked for your input on dissolving the CSA-21. The initial response clearly indicates that there is no opposition to this action. Therefore, the process to dissolve will continue.

#### **EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

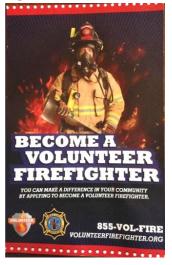
- **Dec 1 Community Holiday Party** 5:00 9:00 PM Clubhouse
- Dec 14 CMWC Board Meeting 2:00 PM Clubhouse

#### **NEXT MONTH**

• **Jan 19 - Firewise Committee** 10:00 AM Carol's House

# North Fork Volunteer Fire Department

By Sandy Chaille of the NF Auxiliary Fire Department



Our North Fork Volunteer Fire Department is seeking new recruits. If this sounds like your calling, contact Captain Gus Lavell, Station 11 (North Fork) at 559.269.7489 or Battalion Chief Anthony Garcia at 559.232.9257. Both of these men attended the last

Auxiliary meeting and are eager for new recruits. Training begins in January, so this is a good time to sign up.

North Fork has just 3 paid call firefighters and more are needed.



We hope you enjoyed The Woods Newsletter. Send submissions for the January Newsletter by December 24, 2019 to Carol Eggink at egginks@netptc.net.