

Pine Cove Water District February Newsletter

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BOULDER DIVIDES COMMUNITIES

Thank God the highway is open again! That 3 day period, when closed was terrible! I have never seen such bitterness, rudeness and lack of cooperation and no communication among agencies, when it was needed the most. I'm glad that incident is behind us. Now we can remember, learn and be better prepared. A special thanks to AMR in providing a second ambulance during the emergency. Please participate in AMR's Community Health Program.

The District is in the process of updating customers email addresses. Why? So we can improve communication with you, our customer, in times of need or emergencies.

The Dutch Flats pipeline project was completed last fall. A special thanks to all customers on Franklin, Forest Lake, Skyline, Ponderosa, Gail, Scenic View, Lakeview and Eagles Nest for their patience, help and understanding. Later this summer, we will do the

final touchup on the black top.

This summer, crews will begin pipeline replacement projects in the Nestwa, Meadow, Laurel Trail and Pine Ridge areas.

I'm still trying to get Verizon Wireless to correct and improve our cell phone signals. I have also not given up on getting Sprint in Pine Cove. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Jerry Holldber
General Manager

EL NINO HAS ARRIVED!

El Nino has arrived!! Experts are suggesting that El Nino has an 80% chance of lasting into early Spring of 2016. Issues such as erosion from storm run off, water or mud damage, and/or flooding can occur. The moisture our mountain received the first week of January may have been a factor in the large boulder which fell onto the highway late Sunday night at Deadman's curve. The storm produced 17.6 inches of snow in Pine Cove. Our season total is 16.94 inches of rain/melted snow and 23 1/4 inches of snow. Preparing your home and yard for the predicted El Nino season should be on all homeowners "to do list".

Obtain sandbags and place them in the areas of your yard that may be vulnerable. They are available at most local Fire Stations throughout the Inland Region. We have free sandbags available to our customers here in the front office!!! If you come during normal business hours, we have sand and a sand scoop you are welcome to use.

Fix, clear, and check all rain gutters and make sure the water will drain away from your home to prevent damage. Check and repair your roof, if necessary, before it rains.

It is recommended to have a stockpile of at least 3 days' supply of food, water, flashlights, batteries, clothing, and other vital necessities. Don't forget to make an emergency kit for your pets as well. All mountain residents should be prepared should another rockslide occur.

For more information, contact the federal Emergency Management Agency. They offer free publications on protecting your home: 800-638-6620..

Amy Righetti, Conservation Specialist



Customer Appreciation BBQ/District's 60th Anniversary!

Mark your calendars!! The District is happy to announce that we will be hosting a Customer Appreciation BBQ, to celebrate 60 years for Pine Cove Water District, on June 11, 2016 @ 11:00 am. We will be serving our famous Tri Tip sliders, Chicken, and Vegi burgers, side dishes & beverages!

Free to Pine Cove customers & invited guests.

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It is our mission to provide ample amounts of potable water at a reasonable price to all constituents within the Pine Cove area.

Office & Staff Information

The District office is open from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday thru Friday. In an emergency, our field workers can be reached at 951-294-8282. If you get the voice mail, please leave a message and your call will be returned in a short period of time. **Please contact the office for all billing questions.**

Jerry Holldber, General Manager

Jeremy Potter, Field Foreman

Becky Smith, Office Manager/District Secretary

Amy Righetti, Office Assistant/Conservation Specialist

Winter Storms & Power Outages

Know where your customer valve is! Every customer has a customer valve, and you should know how to turn it on & off. If you need help, please call our office during normal working hours and we will be happy to come out and show you where it is and how to turn it on & off.

Winter is here, and we wanted to remind you of the items to keep on hand. You should have at least 1 land line telephone that doesn't require electricity. Keep plenty of flashlights around and check to make sure that you have spare batteries. If you use candles, it's best to use candles in jars, rather than stand alone candles that are not contained. Keep matches in several

safe locations so you can find them easily. Try to keep a container in your house that holds food that does not require cooking, such as canned food, crackers, peanut butter/jelly, nuts, etc. If you begin to experience serious hunger or coldness, and you need help, call the Pine Cove Fire Station at 951-659-2732. If it's an emergency, call 911

