

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE - LOOMIS DIVERSION SEWER PROJECT

After eight months of construction, the District is working diligently towards the completion of the Loomis Diversion Sewer Project. As of April 2018, our contractor, T&S Construction Company, Inc. (T&S) has installed over 2,300 feet of sewer pipe and appurtenances. Pipeline excavation encountered significantly more hard rock than originally anticipated; a testament to the area’s history of granite quarries. According to Eric Nielsen, District Engineer, “The District was forced to rock hammer and blast considerable rock formations hiding just under the surface of the ground. This has slowed construction of much of the sewer pipeline. We apologize for the inconvenience to those living along the sewer line alignment.”

The installation of sewer pipe beneath Horseshoe Bar Road and Interstate 80 is underway and may be completed by the time you receive this newsletter. The pipeline will be installed by the “auger boring” or “jack and bore” method without disturbing the surface of either roadway. The crossing beneath Horseshoe Bar Road began in February. The crossing of Interstate 80 will begin immediately after the crossing of Horseshoe Bar Road is completed.

The final phases of project construction include the installation of sewer north of Horseshoe Bar Road, the installation of sewer in Dias Lane, and the installation of sewer within Brace Road from Dias Lane to Betty Lane.



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SPMUD RATE INCREASE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

On July 1, 2018, the sewer service charge for South Placer Municipal Utility District residential customers will increase to \$34 per month.

On August 3, 2017, the District Board of Directors unanimously approved increasing wastewater rates for the first time in 5 years. District officials indicated that the series of rate increases will fully fund all operations, maintenance and regulatory obligations as well as capital improvements until 2022. The increase will also provide funding of the District’s pension and other post-employment benefit obligations as well as meet the debt indenture revenue requirements mandated by the South Placer Wastewater Authority.

Commercial, Industrial and Education accounts are charged based on equivalent dwelling units (EDU). An EDU is intended to represent the wastewater generated by a single residential consumer. and the cost of providing the sewer service is allocated to each customer proportionate to the strength and flow of the wastewater generated in EDUs.

The first increase took effect on September 1, 2017. This increase scheduled for July 1, 2018 will raise rates to \$34 per month with the next scheduled increase to \$36 per month, next July 1.



Living Sewer Smart means taking simple action to reduce potential sewage spills which can create a stinky mess in your home and be extremely expensive to clean-up. In some cases, substantial back-ups can lead to sewage draining down the curb and into the stormwater system that can contaminate nearby creeks.

Visit the Live Sewer Smart website for further tips on proper ways to reduce impacts to the sewer system.



FREE FOG PICK-UP PROGRAM

Pour all used cooking oil and grease into a non-breakable container with a lid, such as a coffee can, label it as SPMUD/FOG and place it on your front door step. Then **CALL SPMUD** (916) 786-8212 for pick up! See the District website for more information, www.spmud.ca.gov

We need your help! Is that Sewer or Water I see?

Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO's) occur when pipes become blocked and sewage spills from a structure like a manhole or a clean out onto the ground. SPMUD works hard to reduce the likelihood of an SSO as well as the environmental impact, but we need your help.

SPMUD's service area is 31 square miles and contains approximately 390 miles of sewer pipe, serving approximately 70,000 people. Our crew of 15 Maintenance Workers simply can't be everywhere all of the time. With your help we can collectively monitor manholes and cleanouts within the District to lessen the number of SSO's.

Here's how you can help:

If you are experiencing a sewer problem – Call us immediately (916) 786-8555. We respond during business hours within 30 minutes and under 60 minutes after hours and weekends. If the problem is our responsibility we will resolve it – this service is included in the service fees you pay each quarter – no additional charges. If the problem is your responsibility we will inform you and then you can call a plumber or drain service.

Even if you are not experiencing a sewer problem, but you see water on the ground and you are not sure where it came from, Call us immediately. We will gladly come and check it out. Often, sewer on the ground looks just like any other water stain – from sprinklers, rain, etc. Other times it will be discolored and accompanied by tissue and/or food particles. We appreciate your help with assisting us to be good stewards of the environment.



Manhole overflowing



Overflow from clean out



Overflow from clean out



**CALL US FIRST!
(916)786-8555**

**• AFTER HOURS •
LISTEN TO PROMPTS**

SEWER PROBLEMS?

If you are experiencing a sewer problem, such as plumbing backing up, slow drains, sewer overflowing either inside your home or from the sewer clean out

**PLEASE CONTACT US
IMMEDIATELY**



916-786-8555

SPMUD crews will determine whether the problem is the District's to resolve or whether you should call a plumber. SPMUD has staff on-call 24/7 to address these sewer related issues.