



RURAL NORTH VACAVILLE WATER DISTRICT

April 2015 Newsletter

Water Rates

Recently we sent to each customer a Notice of Public Hearing and GM Explanation of the proposed new water rates. A workshop is scheduled for Monday May 4th at 7 pm at 4135 Cantelow Rd., the Fire Station, as a public outreach. A representative of the water board, SID, and rate review preparer will be present along with the District GM, and members of the District Board. A presentation will be made regarding the water rates and then there will be adequate time for questions and discussions with property owners.

Meet your Board Members

In order to be approved as a district, Rural North Vacaville Water District was required to have a Board of Directors to ensure our district is running within the guidelines of the State of California. Our Board members are

unpaid volunteers and they are a serious and dedicated group. We thank them and appreciate the effort it takes to run a small water district in a fair, transparent and efficient manner.



Left to Right: Douglas Thomson (Director), Trish Landis (Secretary), Chris Calvert (President), Robert Whitehouse (Vice-President), Reed McLaughlin (Director).

Nominate New Board Members

The term of 3 board members will expire this year. District property owners interested in a Board position should apply during the nomination period from May 4-May 29. Contact Willette Lee – Election Coordinator at the County Registrar of Voters at 707-784-3351 or the District GM to apply. The term of a board member is 4 years and the office holder is an unpaid position. District Board Meetings are held at the Fire Station #67, 4135 Cantelow Road, at 7 pm on the second Tuesday of every month.

Water Rights Buy/Sell

We have recently improved our District Website so that existing customers looking to sell a water right and buyers looking to purchase a water right can contact each other.

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Meet Your Contractors

The Team that keeps your water flowing:



Left to Right: Gordon Stankowski, General Manager
Rick Trites, Meter Reading and Backflow Testing and Repair
Brenda Kane, Billing Manager; Nancy Veerkamp, Administrator
Not pictured: SID, Solano Irrigation District, Operations & Maintenance

Transparency Certificate of Excellence Awarded To Rural North Vacaville Water District

The Rural North Vacaville Water District received the District Transparency Certificate of Excellence by the Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) in recognition of its outstanding efforts to promote transparency and good governance. “This award is a testament to Rural North Vacaville Water District’s commitment to open government,” said Gordon Stankowski General Manager. “The entire district staff is to be commended for their contributions that empower the public with information and facilitate engagement and oversight.”

In order to receive the award, a special district must demonstrate the completion of eight essential governance transparency requirements, including conducting ethics training for all board members, properly conducting open and public meetings, and filing financial transactions and compensation reports to the State Controller in a timely manner.

The Rural North Vacaville Water District also fulfilled fifteen website requirements, including providing readily available information to the public, such as board agendas, past minutes, current district budget, and the most recent financial audit.

Finally, the district must demonstrate outreach to its constituents that engaged the public in its governance, through a regular district newsletter and community notification announcing election deadline.

The Rural North Vacaville Water District is a Community Services District formed to develop and provide a public water distribution system. The public water distribution system serves properties within the Rural North Vacaville Water District boundaries with potable water for residential use. In addition, the Rural North Vacaville Water District provides water for fire protection by supplying water to a series of fire hydrants serving properties in the area. The Rural North Vacaville Water district serves only unincorporated rural Solano County north of Vacaville. SDLF is an independent, non-profit organization formed to promote good governance and best practices among California’s special districts through certification, accreditation and other recognition programs.

Special districts are independent public agencies that deliver core local services to communities, such as water, fire protection, parks and recreation, healthcare, sanitation, mosquito abatement, ports, libraries, public cemeteries and more. Districts are established by voters and their funding is approved by voters in order to meet specific needs through focused service. They can be specially molded to serve large regions or small neighborhoods depending on the need.

Contact Information

- District Website, www.RNVWD.com
- General Manager, GM, Gordon Stankowski, 707-447-8420, RNVWDGM@gmail.com,
- Billing Manager, BK Bookkeeping, Brenda Kane, 707-689-7971, BKRNVWD@aol.com
- Solano Irrigation District, SID, 707-448-6847,
- Water Leaks and Urgent issues 24/7, 707-448-6847. For other emergencies call 911.