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NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

ELECTED BOARD

Craig Armstrong, *President*
Dan A. Gaddis, *Vice President*
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Ed Eby, *Director*
Dan Woodson, *Director*

STAFF

Michael S. LeBrun, *General Manager*
Lisa Bognuda, *Finance Director*
Peter Sevcik, *Director of Engineering and Operations*
Jessica Matson, *Public Information Director*

Our Website Has Resources for You

CONSERVATION TIPS

The District's website provides tips on how to reduce water use at home. Visit www.ncsd.ca.gov and click on the "Conservation" quick link in the upper right of the home page.

SIGN UP FOR NEWS AND ALERTS

Sign up on our website to receive meeting, news, and emergency notifications from the District.

YOU CAN ALSO CALL OR EMAIL ANY TIME

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, we want to hear from you. Feel free to contact us at info@ncsd.ca.gov or at 805-929-1133.

Go to: www.ncsd.ca.gov

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Reminder: Scheduled Water Rate Increase November 1st

In 2011, the Board of Directors approved a water rate increase schedule effective each November 1st for five years. The last of the scheduled water rate increases went into effect on November 1, 2015 and customers will see the increase beginning with their January/February bill for water use in November and December.



Town Sewer Rate Increase January 1st

A rate increase for sewer customers in the Town Division was approved by the Board of Directors at its November 12, 2015 Special Meeting. Single family residential dwellings, which represent over 97% of the customer accounts, can expect to see an increase of \$0.305 (thirty cents) monthly or \$0.61 per bi-monthly billing period. The rate increase goes into effect January 1, 2016 and customers will see the increase beginning with their March/April sewer bill.

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Around-the-Clock Service

District professionals provide customers with quality services 24/7

The Nipomo Community Services District's mission is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.

The District currently has 11 Operations staff who operate one water system with 5 production wells and a pump station as well as two sewer systems - one serving the Town Division and one serving the Blacklake Division.

Our water and wastewater (sewer) professionals maintain, treat, and test the systems ensuring quality services are delivered to your home or business. All Operations staff are certified in their field and are dedicated to providing reliable, quality services.

On-call personnel are available to handle emergencies after hours 7 days a week.



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Commitment to Excellence - Around the Clock Service

General Manager Announces Retirement



District General Manager, Michael LeBrun, announced his resignation at the September 9th Regular Board meeting in accordance with his contract. The District's Board of Directors accepted Mr. LeBrun's resignation and formed an ad-hoc committee to lead recruitment of a new General Manager.

LeBrun has served as General Manager and Interim General Manager for the District for 9 years. Under his leadership the District received recognitions including the California Special District Association's (CSDA) District Transparency Certificate of Excellence (2 terms) and the Government Finance Officers Association Award for Financial Reporting (2 years). Mr. LeBrun was instrumental in the completion of several capital projects as well as the District's largest projects - a \$13M upgrade to

the Southland Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility, and the historic \$17.5M Nipomo Supplemental Water Project. Mr. LeBrun also led the adoption of the District's Water Shortage Response and Management Plan and outreach program which resulted in water conservation of up to 37% District-wide.

LeBrun's announcement was long-planned and his retirement is well-deserved.

Michael LeBrun stated, "While we have overcome significant hurdles to accomplish a number of projects that will serve this community for generations to come, my proudest accomplishment is the staff team we have assembled. Without exception, District staff is dedicated professionals who come to work each day committed to provide excellent service to our customers. I will miss many things about this job, none more than the people I work with."

Recruitment for a new General Manager began in October with placement planned for early 2016. LeBrun will be assisting in recruitment and transition and will remain with the District until the new General Manager is in place.

'Gold Star' for a Summer of Brown

District customers are commended for ending the summer strong!

The State assigned the District a conservation goal of 28% and customers exceeded this goal! For the period of June - September, pumping was down an average of 32.9%. Great job!

As we approach fall and winter months - and hopefully they're wet ones - remember to turn down that irrigation. The District is still in Stage III of its drought response and will remain so until at least late spring/early summer of next year when area key wells are measured.

As always, saving water also saves money!

Shut Off Irrigation for the Next Few Months

Cooler temperatures and moisture in the air mean less water is needed for your landscape. Shutting off outdoor irrigation through spring will:

- Help conserve our precious water resources
- Save some money on your water bill
- Protect landscapes from overwatering

A Commitment to Excellence - District Highlights

In accordance with our mission, the District is committed to providing excellence service. Below are two recent recognitions we are proud to have received:

District Transparency Certificate of Excellence

In September, Vice President Dan Allen Gaddis accepted the Special District Leadership Foundation's District Transparency Certificate of Excellence award on behalf of the District. This is the second time the District has received the award which recognizes District efforts to promote transparency and good governance. In order to receive the award, a district must have an active public outreach program and demonstrate the completion of eight essential governance transparency requirements as well as fifteen website requirements.



Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector

On October 3rd, the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Los Angeles Section awarded District Director of Engineering & Operations, Peter Sevcik, the prestigious "Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector" award for 2015.

Mr. Sevcik is a registered Professional Engineer (P.E.) in the State of California with 25 years of experience in wastewater and water including project management, construction management, design, planning, operations, and maintenance. Mr. Sevcik has been instrumental in bringing more than \$30M in public works projects from concept to completion in his eight years with Nipomo Community Services District - one of the most notable being the Nipomo Supplemental Water Project which connected a pipeline and imported water from the City of Santa Maria to the Nipomo Mesa.



FINALLY, Some Rain!

Turn your irrigation down or off from now until late spring.
Most landscapes require little or no water in the winter.

SAVE WATER, SAVE MONEY!

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