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What 50 Years of Service Means for Customers

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

January 28th marked a milestone for the District. The District's formation meeting was January 28th, 1965 with a group of community leaders who recognized that Nipomo needed to address critical water quality and supply problems. The first elected Board of Directors included William C. Black, Cecil E. Davis, James A. Kitchen, Jim Miller and John R. Mylan. The Directors immediately pursued the construction of the District's first public water system. The first order of business was to raise money. At the Board's first meeting on January 28, 1965, each Director contributed \$10.00 (this would be about \$75 today) for writing materials and postal box rental. Seven months later the Board adopted the District's first annual budget with a total of \$15,393.50 in forecasted expenditures for Fiscal Year 1965-1966.

In February 1966 property owners within the new District's service boundary passed a property tax measure to secure \$650,000 for building the District's first water system. Construction began in June 1966 and water began to flow in November 1966. In the early part of the 1980's, the District embarked on a sewage collection and disposal system project. The sewer project was constructed in 1984-85 and became operational in 1986.

What does this milestone mean for customers of the District?

The founding Directors were dedicated to supporting the livelihood of the community and today the District's vision remains basically unchanged. The District is a solid, public entity that customers can rely on to be there for their water and sewer needs.

For fifty years the Nipomo Community Services District has upheld its mission to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.



Construction at Eureka well site, the District's largest production well, circa 1979



The District's historic standpipe (water storage tank).

Even if you were unable to attend the District's Open House on the 28th, you are always welcome to stop by the office and pick up water saving information and ask our staff questions. Much of this information is also on our website at www.ncsd.ca.gov. In addition, the Board of Directors Regular meetings are the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month at 9 AM. These meetings are always open to the public.

Until next time,

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