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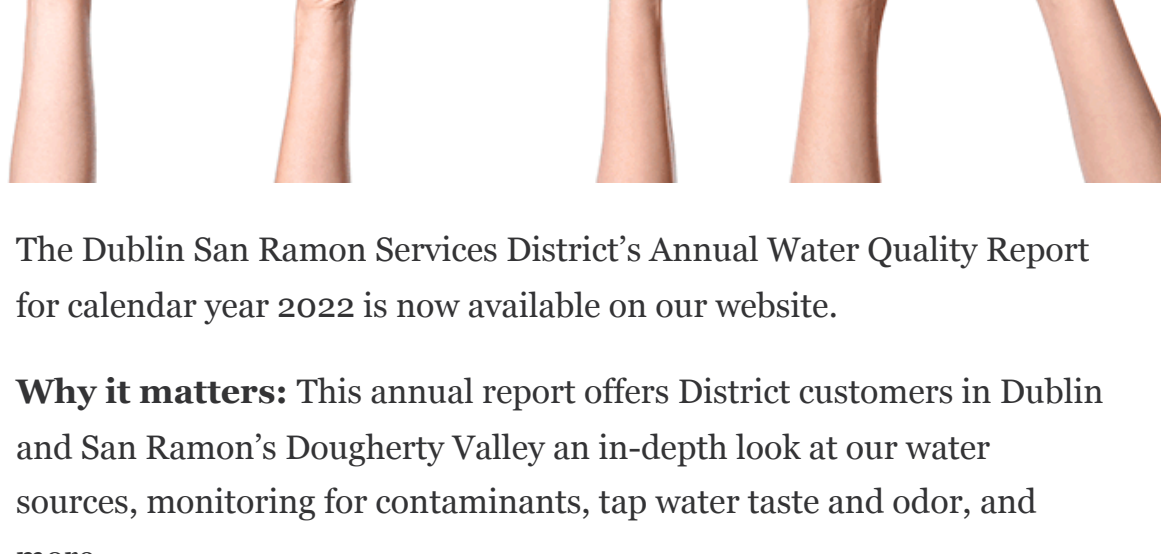
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Happy summer season! ☀️ Learn about maximizing your irrigation this time of year for saving water and for a happy yard. 🌻

Learn about your drinking water

THE NEW ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT | IS AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW



The Dublin San Ramon Services District’s Annual Water Quality Report for calendar year 2022 is now available on our website.

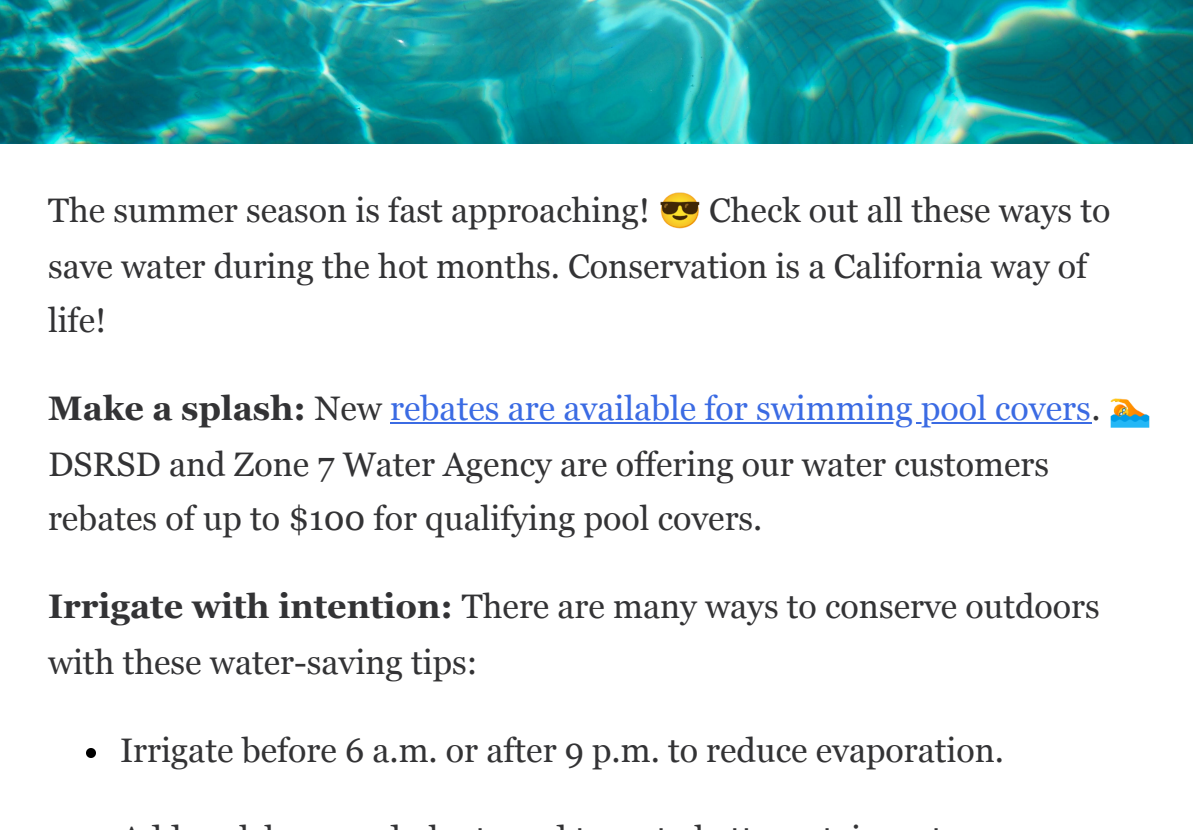
Why it matters: This annual report offers District customers in Dublin and San Ramon’s Dougherty Valley an in-depth look at our water sources, monitoring for contaminants, tap water taste and odor, and more.

The General Manager’s message is optimistic, with DSRSD and the Tri-Valley recovering after three years of drought. The District will continue working closely with wholesaler Zone 7 Water Agency and partner water retailers on ensuring a reliable water supply.

Go deeper: Find answers to your questions about our drinking water with a Q&A section covering topics such as seasonal algae blooms, water softeners, water hardness, and more.

View the [2022 Annual Water Quality Report](#) on our website.

Summer water savings



The summer season is fast approaching! 🕶️ Check out all these ways to save water during the hot months. Conservation is a California way of life!

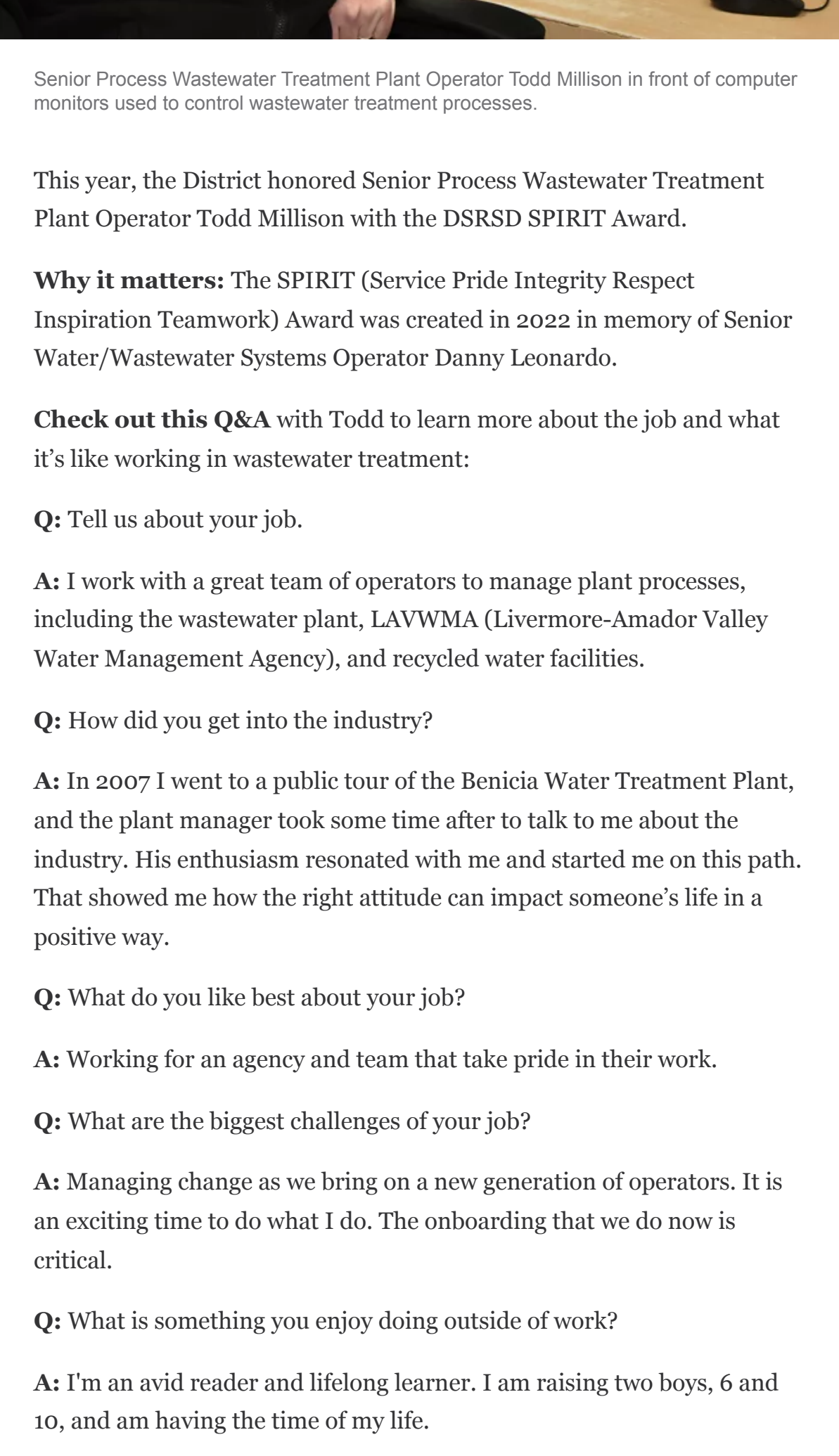
Make a splash: New [rebates are available for swimming pool covers](#). 🏊 DSRSD and Zone 7 Water Agency are offering our water customers rebates of up to \$100 for qualifying pool covers.

Irrigate with intention: There are many ways to conserve outdoors with these water-saving tips:

- Irrigate before 6 a.m. or after 9 p.m. to reduce evaporation.
- Add mulch around plants and trees to better retain water.
- Install a smart weather-based irrigation controller, and [get a rebate](#) on qualifying models.

Go deeper: Learn more [indoor and outdoor tips](#), plus [garden and irrigation](#) info that can get your yard on the path to being water wise. 🌱

SPIRIT Award honoree



Senior Process Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Todd Millison in front of computer monitors used to control wastewater treatment processes.

This year, the District honored Senior Process Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Todd Millison with the DSRSD SPIRIT Award.

Why it matters: The SPIRIT (Service Pride Integrity Respect Inspiration Teamwork) Award was created in 2022 in memory of Senior Water/Wastewater Systems Operator Danny Leonardo.

Check out this Q&A with Todd to learn more about the job and what it’s like working in wastewater treatment:

Q: Tell us about your job.

A: I work with a great team of operators to manage plant processes, including the wastewater plant, LAVWMA (Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency), and recycled water facilities.

Q: How did you get into the industry?

A: In 2007 I went to a public tour of the Benicia Water Treatment Plant, and the plant manager took some time after to talk to me about the industry. His enthusiasm resonated with me and started me on this path. That showed me how the right attitude can impact someone’s life in a positive way.

Q: What do you like best about your job?

A: Working for an agency and team that take pride in their work.

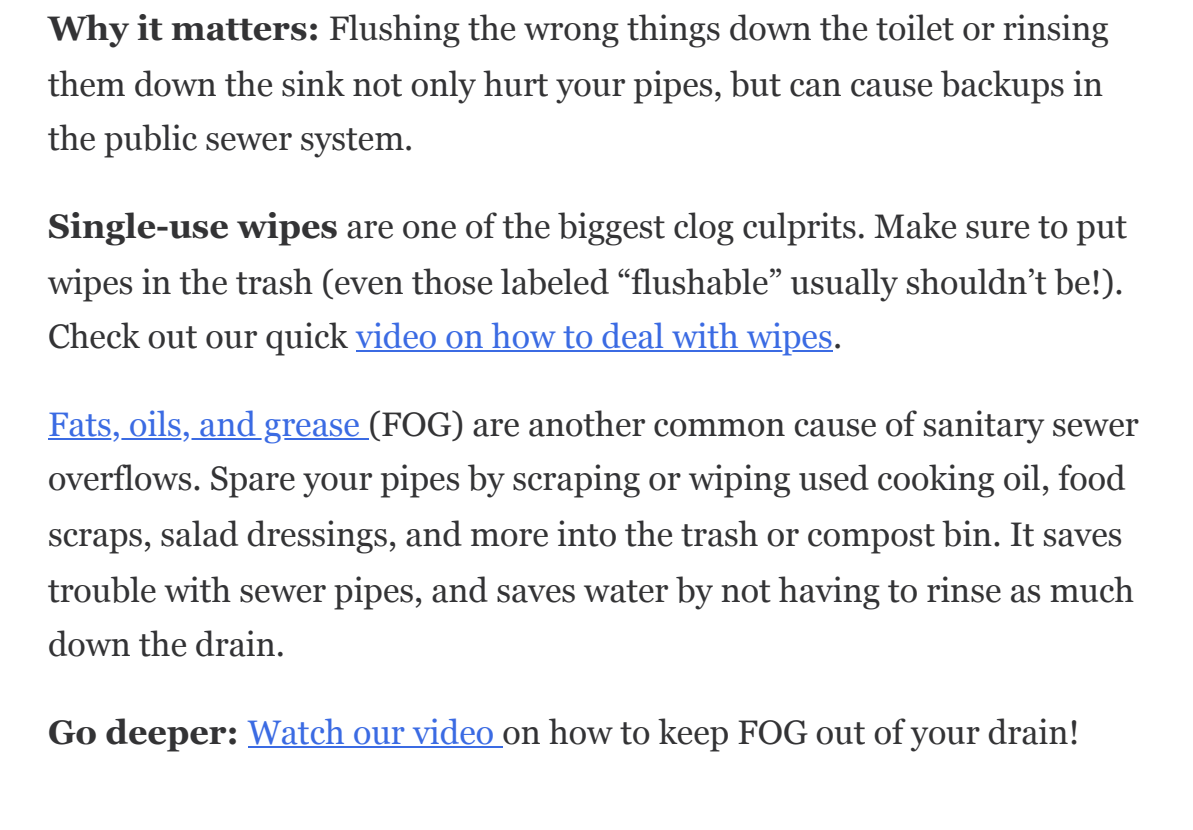
Q: What are the biggest challenges of your job?

A: Managing change as we bring on a new generation of operators. It is an exciting time to do what I do. The onboarding that we do now is critical.

Q: What is something you enjoy doing outside of work?

A: I’m an avid reader and lifelong learner. I am raising two boys, 6 and 10, and am having the time of my life.

Colorful corridor



Two acrylic paintings from the Dublin Arts Collective.

DSRSD has been a stop on the Dublin Arts Circuit since spring 2022.

One fun thing: Come see the latest exhibit by the Dublin Arts Collective next to the Customer Services counter in the DSRSD lobby.

This exhibit, which will be on display from June to September, features two acrylic paintings by a local artist.

The current theme is “Scapes,” featuring artwork depicting various landscapes, seascapes, and cityscapes.

Drop by our lobby at 7051 Dublin Blvd. in Dublin, during business hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Avoid a pain in the drain

Keeping your drains clear of clogs is always in style. Read more for reminders of [what NOT to put down your sewer pipes!](#)

Why it matters: Flushing the wrong things down the toilet or rinsing them down the sink not only hurt your pipes, but can cause backups in the public sewer system.

Single-use wipes are one of the biggest clog culprits. Make sure to put wipes in the trash (even those labeled “flushable” usually shouldn’t be!). Check out our quick [video on how to deal with wipes](#).

Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) are another common cause of sanitary sewer overflows. Spare your pipes by scraping or wiping used cooking oil, food scraps, salad dressings, and more into the trash or compost bin. It saves trouble with sewer pipes, and saves water by not having to rinse as much down the drain.

Go deeper: [Watch our video](#) on how to keep FOG out of your drain!

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