

DSRSD Pipeline

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Welcome to Our Monthly eNewsletter



New primary tanks under construction at the Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility.

What's new: Dublin San Ramon Services District's Board of Directors makes big decisions, sometimes involving millions of dollars. If you'd like to know what they're doing and why, keep reading.

Why it matters: The District is a \$1 billion entity that manages your water, wastewater and recycled water services.

The bottom line: This newsletter will discuss how we plan for the future, how we're increasing savings and efficiencies, and how we're protecting public health and the environment.

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Reduce Water Use by 10%



Governor Gavin Newsom

What's new: Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency due to the drought. While our water wholesaler, Zone 7 Water Agency, does not project water supply shortages for 2021, they are asking us to voluntarily conserve.

Why it matters: This is the second dry year. We don't know if this trend will continue. So we're asking our customers to reduce their water use by 10%.

The bottom line: Water saved this year will help if the drought continues into next year and beyond.

Water Costs High, Supplies Low



Loafer Point, at Lake Oroville, California. The lake is the major source of our water supply and is currently at an elevation of 728 feet, or 51% of average capacity for this time year, on May 4, 2021.

What's new: DSRSD's water wholesaler, Zone 7 Water Agency, estimates it will need 10,000 acre feet of water transfers to meet 2021 demands and to prepare for another dry year in 2022. (An acre foot is the volume of water required to cover one acre to a depth of one foot).

Why it matters: Zone 7 has contracted with Mojave Water Agency to purchase 4,490 acre feet of water in 2021, at a cost of \$850 per acre foot. The current price reflects the high demand and low water transfer supplies available this year. In comparison, last year Zone 7 purchased 5,000 acre-feet of water from Napa County for \$307 per acre foot.

Water Quality Report Available



Learn about your tap water in the Annual Water Quality Report.

What's New: The District's *2020 Annual Water Quality Report* is now available online at www.dsrsd.com/water-quality-report.

- It opens with a message from the General Manager that touches on building a resilient water supply, forever chemicals (PFAS) in the water, and using water wisely as we endure a second dry year.

- An article on page 4 explains what Zone 7 is doing to monitor PFAS in the groundwater.

- And of course, there are the usual tables with detailed water quality data.

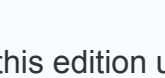
- At the end of the document, there are tips on what our customers can do to help protect our drinking water sources.

Thank you for reading our first eNewsletter! Stay tuned for updates on what's happening with water, wastewater, and recycled water at DSRSD.

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