



## General Manager's Monthly Bulletin

*As part of Ross Valley Sanitary District's (RVSD) ongoing efforts to improve communications and outreach with the community we serve, we are starting a new monthly news bulletin of current notable activity and events. We welcome your feedback on any information in the bulletin, and if at any time you no longer prefer to receive this information, simply unsubscribe using the link below.*

*Each of the topics below were included in the March and April 2017 RVSD Board meeting agenda packages, which can be downloaded at [www.RVSD.org](http://www.RVSD.org)*

**Private Sewer Laterals Replacement Progress:** The RVSD Board received a presentation on the lateral program at its April meeting. RVSD's lateral ordinance was adopted in 2014, and has resulted in the replacement of over 600 laterals per year. Since 2009, RVSD has provided \$3.4M in financial assistance to over 1,500 customers who have replaced 90,000 feet of private sewer laterals. Replacing these aging laterals is helping to ensure reliable customer service, prevent sanitary sewer overflows, and reduce wet weather inflow-and-infiltration (I&I) to the wastewater system. Grant and loan funding is still available for the current Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017.

**Paving Moratoriums and Laterals:** More than 400 properties in Ross Valley, from Larkspur to Sleepy Hollow, are expected to be impacted by local road paving projects this summer. Property owners in areas affected by paving projects are urged to [contact RVSD immediately](#) for assistance in evaluating the need to replace your lateral. Doing so before the street paving project is finished can save thousands of dollars in extra costs for paving restoration, should the lateral need to be replaced after the paving project is complete.

**Larkspur Landing Remediation Project:** RVSD's Board received a presentation at its March meeting on progress towards an EPA-approved remediation work plan to clean up the District parcel at 2000 Larkspur Landing Circle. The plan's goal is to have unrestricted future land use for the parcel. Next steps include completion of a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review, with a draft Mitigated Negative Declaration currently out for public review through May 15, 2017.

**Capital Assets Management Program:** RVSD's capital program will involve extensive construction activities throughout the RVSD service area this summer, including pump stations, trunk lines, and gravity sewer line replacements. Over

\$30M in construction will be in progress. RVSD is working with its local government partners and impacted neighborhoods to minimize any disruption from the construction. Please call the District or [visit our website](#) for more information.

**Marin LAFCO Central Marin Wastewater Municipal Services Review (MSR):**

Marin LAFCO has issued its draft 2017 Central Marin Wastewater MSR, covering the areas from Las Gallinas to Corte Madera, including the RVSD service area. The draft MSR evaluates the sufficiency and adequacy of wastewater utility service and related governance. MSR's are required to be done every five years. The draft MSR can be downloaded at <http://lafco.marin.org/>

**EPA White Paper on Infrastructure Asset Management**

**Challenges:** Communities across the country are working to solve the challenges of aging water and wastewater infrastructure. The asset management-based approach is widely recognized throughout the utility industry as one successful model. RVSD's asset management program, along with nine other agencies across California, was featured in a recently released EPA white paper highlighting successful application of asset management methods for meeting the challenges of aging wastewater public infrastructure replacement and rehabilitation.

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