

General Manager's Monthly Bulletin February 2022

Ross Valley Sanitary District (the District) provides this monthly news bulletin to stay connected to the community we serve. We welcome your feedback on any information in the bulletin. If at any time you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please select "Unsubscribe" at the bottom of this message. Visit us online at www.RVSD.org for more information.

As February ends and spring is within reach, exciting things are occurring at the District. Highlights this month include the opening of bids for the RVSD Headquarters Consolidation Project, awards for District Transparency and CWEA Redwood Empire Supervisor of the Year, as well as ongoing updates to Capital Improvement Projects.



We wish you all a wonderful last few weeks of winter and a lovely start to spring!

Remember, if you see a public sewer emergency such as a manhole overflow, leaking pipe, or sewage on the ground, ***please call the RVSD Emergency Line 24/7 at 415-259-2949 as soon as possible.*** When leaving an emergency call, be prepared to provide your name, phone number, and address where the incident occurs. After-hours calls will route to our on-call staff for immediate assistance.



Transparency Certificate of Excellence Awarded to District

This month, Ross Valley Sanitary District's application for the District Transparency Certificate of Excellence was approved by the [Special District Leadership Foundation](#) (SDLF). This certificate recognizes RVSD as a District that promotes transparency in its operations and governance. View the [February 17th news release](#) to learn more about what transparency requirements RVSD demonstrated to receive this award.

RVSD Headquarters Consolidation Project Special Meeting

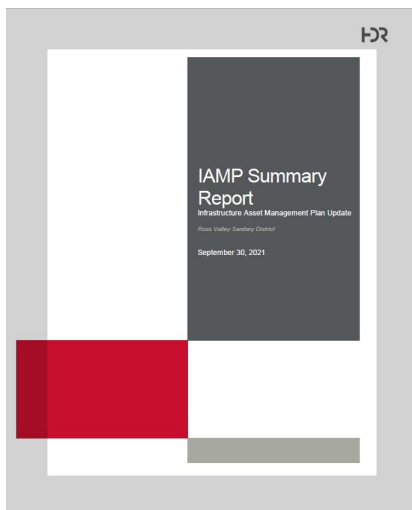
A special board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at 4 p.m. via GoToMeeting** to award the construction contract for the 1111 Andersen Drive Improvements Project. The deadline to submit individual sealed bids to the District for this project closed February 16. Please visit our [Bidding](#) page for the meeting access information.

Redwood Empire Section Supervisor of the Year Award

[John Vogel](#), RVSD's Condition Assessment Supervisor, received the [California Water Environment Association](#) (CWEA) Redwood Empire

Section Supervisor of the Year Award. This award recognizes wastewater professionals throughout Lake, Marin, Napa, Sonoma, and part of Mendocino and Solano County. John's nomination will move forward for consideration at the state level. The award ceremony will take place on [Friday, April 8](#).

CWEA mission is empowering, educating and connecting water professionals to protect public health and the environment. CWEA provides wastewater professionals with valuable certifications, training, and networking opportunities.



2022 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Planning Update

As we complete our remaining Capital Improvement Program projects from last year, planning and design for future projects is underway. These include improvements to Lift Station 20 off E Sir Francis Drake Blvd (across from the Larkspur Ferry Terminal). The design plan for this project calls for electrical upgrades and installing a new wet well.

Design is also underway for the FY 2022/23 Gravity Sewer Improvements Project to replace existing gravity sewer lines throughout the District service area. Improvements include upsizing a 6-inch sewer line to 8-inches for capacity on The Alameda in San Anselmo and similar upgrades will occur on South Ridgewood at Woodland in Kent Woodlands.

Upgrades are also being planned on Deer Hollow in Sleepy Hollow, an easement in Vista Grande in Greenbrae, and an easement that includes a creek crossing in Kent Woodlands. These lines were prioritized in our system-wide risk assessment under our [2021 Infrastructure Asset Management Plan](#) (IAMP). Stay tuned for more information as each of these projects develop.

2021-22 CIP Project Progress Report Updates

Butterfield/Arroyo-Kenrick Gravity Sewer Improvements: Project construction is complete. Paving work on Fawn Drive is scheduled to occur March 7 and 8. Any additional updates or notices will be provided in advance. Visit the [project webpage](#) for more information.

FY 2020/21 Gravity Sewer Improvements

Work in Sequoia Park (San Anselmo) is now wrapping up. The last remaining area of work is a short section on Skyland Way in Ross. Work on this section began in February (see photo). Visit the [project webpage](#) for more information.

Larkspur Pump Stations 14, 24, & 25 Improvements

Project construction is anticipated to begin mid-March. Delays have occurred due to supply chain issues. Visit the [project webpage](#) updates.



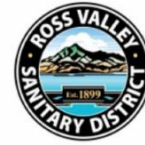
To learn more about the District's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) visit our [CIP project](#) webpage.

Larkspur Landing

Cleanup activities are complete at the Larkspur Landing former treatment plant site (see photo) as required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). In December 2021, [EPA approved the cleanup of the Larkspur Landing property for unrestricted land use](#), meaning that the property is suitably clean for all potential land uses with no exceptions. You can view the [District news release announcing EPA clearance](#) here.



JOIN THE CONVERSATION!



EPA approval enables the District to continue with community outreach to help determine future uses of the property. Between now and March 10, 2022, the District invites ratepayers and interested parties to [complete a community survey](#) to provide input on the disposition of this property, should the Board determine that any portion of it is surplus to its operations. A special meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday, March 30 to receive the results of the community survey. The information for this meeting will be posted on the [Larkspur Landing web page](#).

Want future Larkspur Landing Updates? Please send an email to info@rvsd.org and request being added to our Larkspur Landing interested parties list.

RVSD is on Nextdoor!

Subscribe to our Nextdoor page [here](#) as one of the ways you can find out if there will be construction in your neighborhood.

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RVSD is on LinkedIn!

Follow our LinkedIn page [here](#) to stay up to date on current job announcements and other news about the District.

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Important Reminders:

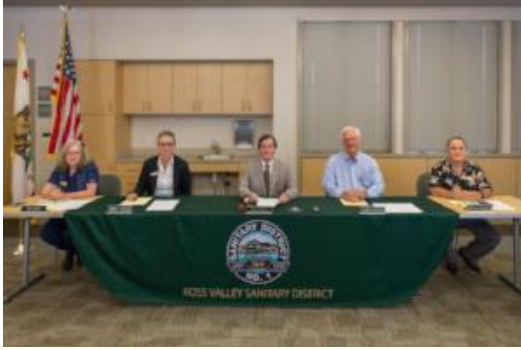
[Review our Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#) that explain sewer overflows and what to do if you see one.

Before hiring a plumbing contractor, check the [California Department of Consumer Affairs Contractors State License Board \(CSLB\)](#) for more information. Make sure any plumber you hire is familiar with district policies and programs for any private property sewer emergency.

Steve Moore, General Manager

Members of the public are invited to attend RVSD Regular Board Meetings safely and remotely from a computer, tablet or smartphone.

Ross Valley Sanitary District Board Meetings are typically held on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. These Board Meetings will continue to be held virtually until further notice.



The next RVSD Regular Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 5 p.m. via GoToMeeting.** [Click here](#) for updated meeting access information 24 hours before the meeting. [Check the agenda posting here](#) 72 hours before each meeting for open session time.

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