

General Manager's Monthly Bulletin November 2021

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 information, please select Unsubscribe at the bottom of this message. Visit us online at www.RVSD.org for more information.



With the beginning of the holiday season at hand we want to thank our customers and staff for their ongoing effort to protect public health and the environment. Our staff are dedicated to safe and essential daily operation and maintenance of approximately 200 miles of collection sewer lines and 19 pumping stations. As our customers and community partners, you play a vital role by notifying us when public sewer emergencies arise. Together we can help ensure that our waterways are kept safe and clean!

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 is occurring. After-hours calls will route to our on-call staff for immediate assistance.

Keep Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) out of your drains this Holiday Season

RVSD would like to remind everyone to keep cooking oils and grease out of drains. When FOG gets into the sewer line, it sticks to pipe walls, creating large blockages when it cools. FOG blockages in the sewer line can easily increase the likelihood of a sanitary sewer overflow.

A preventative solution is to throw leftover FOG into a trash or compost bin instead of the drain.



This simple measure will help reduce the risk of a sanitary sewer overflow occurring during the entire Holiday Season. Watch our <u>Fats</u>, <u>Oils and Grease video</u> to learn more!

Flush only toilet paper down the toilet



and shop towels do not degrade when they go down the drain. Instead, they clog your home's pipes and contribute to clogs and overflows in the public sewer system, affecting health and safety of the entire community and environment. Put all these types of items in the trash. Visit our <u>Wipes Clog Pipes</u> page to learn more.

2021 Capital Improvement Projects Progress Report

Butterfield/Arroyo-Kenrick Gravity Sewer Improvements Project: Work is beginning to wind down for this project. On November 23, paving on Butterfield Road was completed, and work to test pipelines on Fawn Drive will be finished by the end of this month. Paving on Fawn Drive from Butterfield Road past Fawn Court is to follow next. Visit the project webpage for updates and more information.





FY 2020/21 Gravity Sewer Improvements Project: Work on South Eliseo Drive, Corte Real, and El Portal is complete. Work in Sequoia Park (San Anselmo) is expected be completed in December. The last remaining area of work is a short section on Skyland Way in Ross. Visit the project webpage for updates and more information.

Larkspur Pump Stations 14, 24, & 25 Improvements Project: Construction is anticipated to begin this mid-January with a delay due to supply chain issues. Visit the <u>project webpage</u> for updates and more information.

More information about the District's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) can be found on our <u>CIP project</u> webpage.

RVSD is on Nextdoor!

Subscribe to our Nextdoor page <u>here</u> as one of the ways you can find out if there will be construction in your neighborhood.



Employment Opportunities at RVSD

Applications for the Finance Supervisor position closed on November 7. Please visit our <u>Current Opportunities</u> page regularly for future recruitments.

RVSD is on Linkedin! Follow our Linkedin page <u>here</u> to stay up to date on current job announcements and other news about the District.



Larkspur Landing Public Outreach Update

The District conducted a series of informational presentations about its former wastewater treatment plant site at 2000 Larkspur Landing Circle. A special board meeting was held in October to provide the Board of Directors and the public with a recap of these informational presentations. View the presentation given during the October 13 special board meeting or view the video recording of the meeting.

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, <u>click here</u> to check the California Department of Consumer Affairs Contractors State License Board (CSLB) for more information. The District has a list of local contractors available. <u>Click here</u> to view the list. Make sure any plumber you hire is familiar with district policies and programs for any private property sewer emergency.

Have a safe and healthy Holiday Season!

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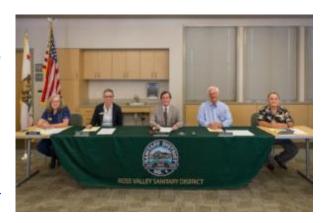
Steve Moore, General Manager

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

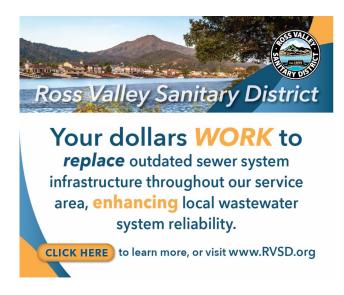
Ross Valley Sanitary District Board Meetings are typically held on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. These Board Meetings will continue to be held virtually until further notice.

The next RVSD Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 5 p.m. via GoToMeeting.

<u>Click here</u> for updated meeting access information 24 hours before the meeting. <u>Check the agenda posting here</u> 72 hours before each meeting for open session time.



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