

General Manager's Monthly Bulletin October 2021

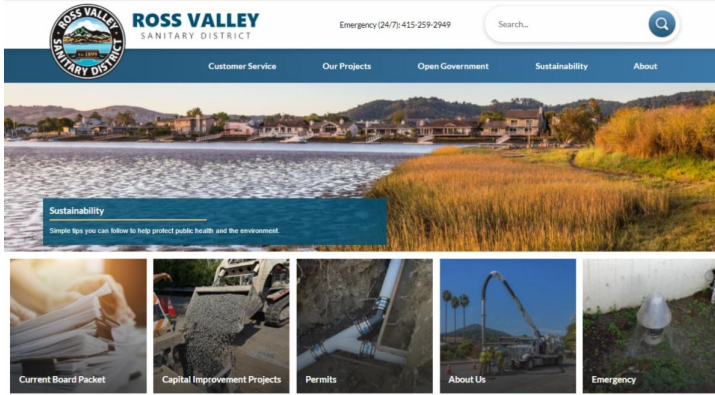
Ross Valley Sanitary District (the District) provides this monthly news bulletin to stay connected to the community we serve. We welcome your feedback on any information in the bulletin. If at any time you no longer prefer to receive this information, please select Unsubscribe at the bottom of this message.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



On Sunday, October 24, Marin received its first significant rainfall in many months, and it was extraordinary! Phoenix Lake (pictured above) transformed from being close to empty to spilling over with water within hours. The Kentfield rain gauge logged 12.24 inches – yes, over a foot of rain in one day; that's about what Los Angeles gets in one year! From 2 a.m. to 2 p.m., there was a once-in-200-years probability of 9.04 inches of rainfall in our District.

As a result of this heavy rainfall, four storm-related sanitary sewer overflows were reported within the District's jurisdiction. Our investigations of these overflow reports are ongoing to determine the causes and corrective actions. As a reminder to our customers, heavy, consistent rainfall can increase the likelihood of sanitary sewer overflows. More than 50 overflows occurred in sewer systems throughout the Bay Area on that very rainy day.

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 immediately***. 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. Your quick response helps keep our waterways safe and clean!



District Website Refresh

We are excited to announce the recent launch of our updated [website](#). Our refreshed site features an upgraded look to the homepage and subpages, including streamlined access to information, enhanced overall functionality, and helpful videos.

2021 Capital Improvement Projects Progress Report

Ross Creek Sewer Pipe Removal Project This ecologically beneficial project included removal of a concrete encased, 21-inch diameter abandoned sewer pipe from the creek bed and replaced it with an engineered “riffle”, or rapids, to improve steelhead trout migration to and from the ocean. Construction was completed on October 8. Vegetation was also added to the streambank with help from an irrigation system provided by volunteer neighbors. Pictures below show the creek following the recent rain. Visit the [Ross Creek webpage](#) for more info.



Butterfield/Arroyo-Kenrick Gravity Sewer Improvements Project: Crews working on Butterfield Road in San Anselmo are scheduled to complete paving by Monday November 8. This schedule may change weather permitting. Work on Fawn Drive will extend through mid-November due to delays resulting from complications during pipe-bursting. The photo right shows work taking place on Butterfield Road in mid-September. Visit the [Butterfield Project webpage](#) for more construction updates and information.



FY 2020/21 Gravity Sewer Improvements Project: Work on South Eliseo Drive, Corte Real, and El Portal is complete. Work has begun in Sequoia Park, San Anselmo (photo on left) and is expected to continue through November. Visit the [project webpage](#) for updates and more information.



Larkspur Pump Stations 14, 24, & 25

Improvements Project: Project construction is anticipated to begin this winter, with a delayed start due to supply chain issues for the generators and other equipment and materials. Two of these pump stations are located on South Eliseo Drive. The larger PS 14 (photo on right) is on Doherty Drive next to Hall Middle School. Visit the [project webpage](#) for more information.

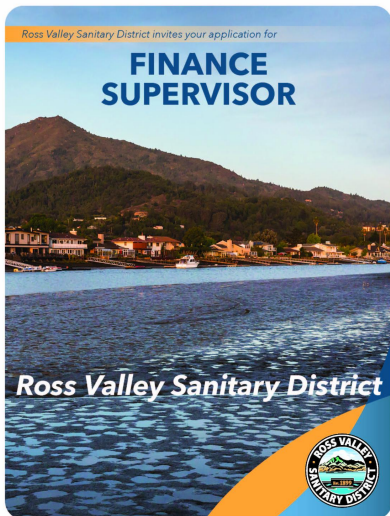
Please visit our [CIP web page](#) for more information about the District's Capital Improvement Program.



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Employment Opportunities at RVSD

The District is currently accepting applications for Finance Supervisor. Applications for this position are due by Sunday, November 7. Please visit our [Current Opportunities](#) page for more information about the position and application instructions. Applications for the Operations & Maintenance Manager and Operations & Maintenance Superintendent close on October 31.

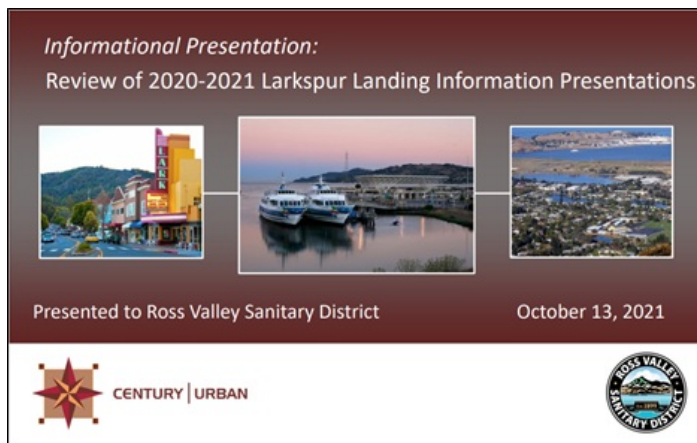
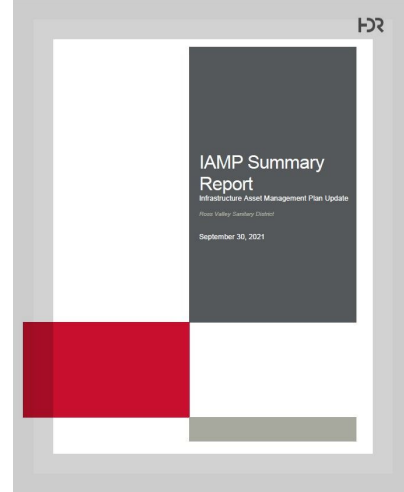
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Infrastructure Asset Management Plan Updates

RVSD staff recently updated the District's Infrastructure Asset Management Plan. This report is a data-driven management tool that helps the District plan its [Capital Improvement Program](#) and in-house repair projects based on a comprehensive risk assessment. The

updated plan is on our [District Studies and Reports web page](#). You can also [click here](#) or on the IAMP Summary Report on the [Infrastructure Asset Management Plan webpage](#). The IAMP Summary Report includes key takeaway summaries in **red italic bold font** throughout the report that provide a snapshot on the state of the District's infrastructure assets.



Larkspur Landing Public Outreach Update: The District has conducted a series of informational presentations about its former wastewater treatment plant site at 2000 Larkspur Landing Circle. A special board meeting was held on October 13 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, [click here](#) 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. [Click here](#) 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 Happy Halloween!

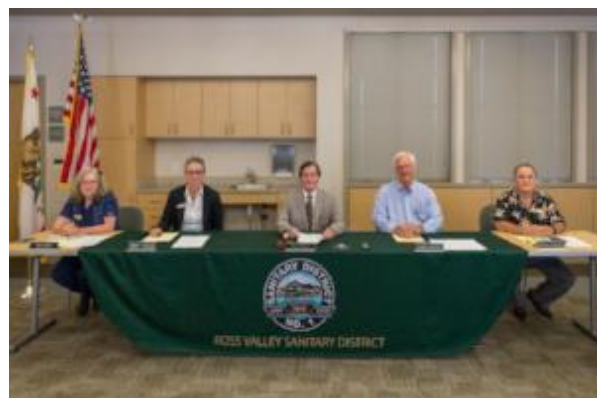
Steve Moore, General Manager

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, November 17, 2021 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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