

## Montara Water & Sanitary District Staying Ahead of our Local Community Needs

Montara Water and Sanitary District (MWSD) works every day to deliver water, garbage and sewer services for the residents of Montara and Moss Beach. Over 6,000 residents rely on our services for their homes and businesses.

April - May 2020

News for You: Unprecedented Times; Don't Flush Wipes; Infrastructure Updates

## **Unprecedented Times**

In March our community was struck with the unprecedented challenges associated with COVID-19. **Our drinking water remains safe and unaffected by COVID-19.** MWSD continues to work hard to support our community and maintain our essential services. We know that reliable drinking water and sanitation services are a foundation for maintaining your lives and households in stressful times.

**Spring 2020 System Tours: Postponed** Our March 14th tours were postponed. We hope to reschedule when conditions allow. If you experience any service issues or questions, please call (650) 728-3545 or email mwsd@coastside.net. We're on duty and keeping the water flowing.

**Never Flush Wipes - Trash 'Em!** Wipes, paper towels and similar products can clog sewers and cause backups. Even wipes labeled "flushable" will interfere with sewage collection. Place wipes in the trash!

Only flush toilet paper and human waste!

## What Needs Updating? An Infrastructure Look Forward -

With a commitment to infrastructure investment over the last 14 years, our water and sewer systems are operating well. However, they continue to age and we must stay on top of critical upgrades to keep the systems in good working order. Over the next 20 years, the District will need to spend \$2 million per year - a total of \$40 million - to keep our systems in good working order. Funds from the 2001 General Obligation Bond are exhausted, and only limited low interest State loans are available. We need increased revenue to maintain our systems. Here's a look at what we need to upgrade:

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	<b>\$9.58M</b> – Replacement of approximately 45,000 linear feet of water mains, including associated valves and appurtenances														
Million	<b>\$12.83M –</b> Replacement of the Alta Vista No. 1, Portola and the 2 Pillar Ridge tanks, Pillar Ridge and the Alta Vista treatment plants, Schoolhouse booster pump														
\$40 N	<b>\$4.7M –</b> Rehabilitation of the Alta Vista Well, Drake, North and South Airport wells the 4 Portola Wells, the 3 Pillar Ridge Wells, and 16 PRV stations														
	<b>\$6.67M</b> – Replacement of all hydrants, service meters, generators, vehicles, electronic monitoring system, and office systems; groundwater and well studies														
Board Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at 8888 Cabrillo Highway, Montara. Call: (650) 728-3545 Email: mwsd@coastside.net Visit: mwsd.montara.org														tara.	