

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.

October -November 2020 News for You: Virtual Tour - Join or View Online; Staff Still Hard At Work; Thank You From The Board

2020 Virtual Tour - October 14th 6:30PM

Learn how your water and wastewater systems work! Where your water comes from, and where that sink, shower and toilet water goes!

Join MWSD staff live for a VIRTUAL tour of the critical systems that serve our community.

Learn the challenges of keeping your water flowing, while protecting public health and the environment all in the time of COVID-19.

Register Online (or watch video after) at: MWSD.MONTARA.ORG

Scan to register:



MWSD Staff Still Hard At Work:

Our staff continue to maintain critical functions in the face of COVID-19, statewide fires, potential Planned System Power Shutoffs (PSPS), along with leaks and repairs.

We've been adhering to state and local guidelines, keeping our offices closed to the public since March, yet continuing to provide all services through online or in-person field service, including inspections!

Social distancing guidelines have to be maintained at all times and these new protocols result in additional time and expense (we have to avoid sharing trucks, equipment and workspaces).

Potential power shutoffs require more frequent maintenance of back up power systems. Recent regional fires have impacted staff – as all Coastsiders either directly or indirectly. Further health concerns due to the exposure of smoke have resulted in additional protective gear requirements and exposure limitation – as much as possible.

Despite the adverse conditions our staff have been able to cope with new work and home situations, and have adjusted to every new challenge. We thank them!

Thank You From The Board

As our community and nation continue to struggle with COVID-19, we see how local leadership is critical to the safety and well-being of our community. Leadership keeps us well informed, on track and focused on the tasks needed to maintain our livelihoods. As elected representatives for our community, we thank you for your support and confidence in what we do. We're committed to keeping watch for you and our beautiful coastside.

MWSD was formed by community members in 1958* to provide solutions that were better tailored to local needs, and more cost effective than the suggestions by the existing larger jurisdictions in place. We continue to serve you and those local needs today.

We carefully spend your bill dollars to ensure vital, reliable water, garbage and sewer services right here in Montara and Moss Beach. We do this because we live here and have spent the time to understand what is needed.

We have secured an independent water supply for our community. The water you need comes directly from sources developed, owned and operated here by this District. The beaches, creeks, ocean and environment we live in and near are protected from sewage by the system we built, operate and maintain. The money you pay is spent here on these systems.

We continue to hold Half Moon Bay accountable for their role in disrupting the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside partnership. We won't let the needs of our community be ignored or let your dollars be spent outside our area.

Having leaders who are locally elected means we can keep our focus where it needs to be – here in Montara and Moss Beach. We focus on reliability, sustainability, and resource protection to safeguard us now and into the future.

*MWSD was formed in 1958 to address sewer and garbage services, with water service added in 2003.

As our community continues its recovery from COVID-19, MWSD is committed to providing safe public access via ZOOM teleconference for our regularly scheduled public meetings for the foreseeable future.