

Rosamond Community Services District

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RCSD Adds Water to Portfolio

Water is the real gold in California's deserts. Without water, we cannot live, grow, or thrive. That is why it is essential to our community that RCSD has access to all the water our community needs.

Traditionally, RCSD got all the water needed by pumping it from the underground aquifer. However, this groundwater pumping was limited by the recent groundwater adjudication. You can read more about the adjudication in our <u>September 2020</u> newsletter)

RCSD has been hard at work finding new water sources to provide for Rosamond's water security since before the adjudication was complete. One method was earning groundwater pumping credits by updating and enlarging RCSD's water reclamation plant (RWRP).

Another way RCSD seeks out water is by acquiring water rights, usually by acquiring real estate with water rights. RCSD was recently granted two new groundwater pumping allotments by the Antelope Valley Water Master.

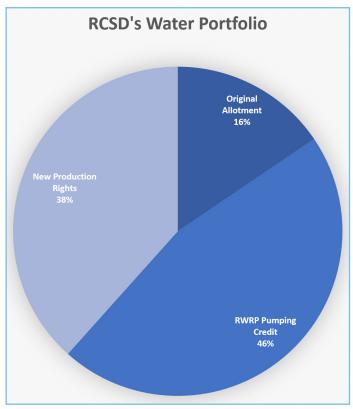
RCSD was granted a permanent 999 acrefoot production right. That means RCSD can pump an additional 999 acre-feet of groundwater each year in perpetuity. This will go a long way to help secure enough water for Rosamond's annual water needs.

RCSD was also granted a one-time allotment to pump 5,000 acre-feet of groundwater. Unlike the production right allotment, this carryover allotment can only be pumped once.

RCSD can pump enough water to meet Rosamond's current annual water needs between RCSD's original production right groundwater pumping allotment granted in the original adjudication, the pumping credits for the Rosamond water reclamation plant, and the new production right groundwater pumping allotment.

The one-time carryover allotment adds an additional safety net to cover our community's water needs.

While this is all good news, Rosamond continues to grow and will need even more water in the future. This is why it is important for RCSD to continue finding new water sources to secure Rosamond's future water needs and for our customers to all use the water we have efficiently.



Keeping Your Contact Info Up To Date

One of the first things we do is tell all of our family and friends when we get a new phone or email address. But what about your water company?

RCSD uses your street address, email address, and phone number for more than just sending bills. This contact information is how we send out our monthly newsletters and reach out to our customers with essential health and safety information, like service disruptions.

We can't keep you informed if we don't have your current contact information. The good news is that it's easy to update your contact information yourself on our website. Just click over to **rosamondcsd.com** any time day or night, then, under the **I Want To** menu, pick **Update My Contact Info**.

Easy Efficiency Tip: Tune your toilet

Upgrade for efficiency

Toilets are some of the biggest water users in our homes and are a great place to improve our household water efficiency. In general, the older a toilet is, the more water it uses. Toilets made prior to 1980 used 5 to 8 gallons a flush! Toilets made between 1980 and 1992 use between 2.5 and 3.6 gallons each flush. Modern toilets, made in 1992 or more recently, use 1.6 gallons a flush or less! If you upgraded a 1980 toilet with a modern toilet, you could be saving up to 6.4 gallons per flush! That adds up quickly!

You can also upgrade the internal parts of your toilet to a dual flush system. These give you a full flush for solid waste and less of a flush for liquid waste. These kits can be easy to install with basic tools and usually cost \$30 or less.



Check for leaks

Even modern toilets are inefficient if they leak. If your toilet makes a trickling sound or if your toilet refills its tank with a whoosh even when not in use, you probably have a leak. You can easily check for a leak by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank (the upper part of the toilet). Wait an hour or two without flushing that toilet and check the bowl. If the water in the bowl is clear, your toilet is good to go. If the water in the bowl has colored water in it, you have a leak.

Leaks can be easy to fix. Reach out to a local hardware store or plumber if you need help fixing it.

Not Seeing RCSD Emails? Check Your Spam Folder

Have you emailed RCSD customer service or signed up for our email alerts and newsletters but never got anything in reply? Your email provider may be accidentally forwarding RCSD emails to your spam folder. Check your spam folder today, and be sure to mark RCSD emails as not spam. If you need help, reach out to your email provider for support.





Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event



MOJAVE SPECIAL WASTE FACILITY

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022 17035 FINNIN STREET, BUILDING #2 9 AM - 12 PM

Accepted Materials

Batteries | Motor Oil | Paints | Light Bulbs |
Sharps | Pool Chemicals | Automotive Products |
Cleaning Products & more!



TOO TOXIC TO TRASH!



RULES TO FOLLOW

- Label All Containers
- No Leaking Containers
- Do Not Mix Wastes
- Transport no more than 15 gallons or 125 lbs of waste per trip

Business Waste NOT accepted *Collection event may be cancelled due to weather conditions



