

Grizzly Flats CSD Newsletter

July 2023



2023/2024 BUDGET PROCESS

The District's annual budget process is underway. The Budget and Finance Committee met to develop a proposed budget based on last year's spending and estimates of future expenses. The proposed budget will be available on our website on July 11, 2023 (after 3:00 PM.) It will be discussed by the GFCSD Board of Directors during their regular meeting scheduled for 6:00 PM on Thursday, July 13, 2023, and is expected to be approved by the Board then after offering the public a chance to provide comments. The final budget must be approved no later than August 2023.

COST OF SERVICE STUDY

The Grizzly Flats CSD Board of Directors has selected Catherine Hansford LLC as the consultant who will be performing our Cost of Services Study. Staff has been providing various information needed for her assessment and will keep you updated on the process and when meetings will be scheduled to review her recommendations. We encourage customers to participate in this process and contact us with related questions.

WATER CONDITIONS AND CONSERVATION

After this epic winter, our diversions are flowing strong. However, we lost two out of three water storage tanks during the Caldor Fire and are limited to just one (1) 200,000 gallon storage tank to meet customer demand and potential firefighting efforts this summer. Although we do not currently have restrictions on water use, it is important to do your part by continuing to use our community's water responsibly. In 2015, the Governor made some water waste restrictions permanent. This included restrictions against watering lawns in a way that causes runoff onto nearby property or roadways, using non-recirculated water in a fountain or other decorative water feature, watering within 48 hours of any precipitation, hosing off sidewalks and driveways, and washing automobiles with hoses that do not have a shut-off nozzle. We will be watching our reservoir and storage tank level and will keep you posted if or when conservation becomes necessary. You can find conservation ideas on our website: http://grizzlyflatscsd.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/Conservation_Ideas1.pdf

CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG!

Whether you are a "Do-It-Yourself" homeowner planning a home-improvement project, or a contractor hired for a major remodel or rebuild, under federal law everyone must call 8-1-1 at least two working days before starting your project. This is a free service for everyone. Taking a few moments to call before digging can save you potential neighborhood water service disruptions and outages, high repair costs, or serious injury. This service contacts utilities that have underground lines (like GFCSD and PG&E) so we can come out and mark where **NOT** to dig so you don't damage any infrastructure. In addition, **customers who plan on installing a fence should keep in mind that GFCSD staff does not know where water lines are located on the customer side of the meter, and your water meter box must always be accessible from the street!**

BOARD & METER READING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

GFCSD physically reads every meter in our system between the 18th – 22nd of each month. We are looking for volunteers who can help with this task! This activity includes driving or walking a specified route, walking up and down dirt hillsides, lifting meter box lids, in some cases moving dirt or other debris to expose the meter, accurately documenting the meter read and noting any maintenance needs. If you are interested, give our office a call at (530) 622-9626 or email us at gfwater@sbcglobal.net.



We have a Board position open!

Come and serve your community with us.



Do you want to do something to give back to your community?

Our Board of Directors meet once per month at 6:00 p.m.

We work together as a team to ensure the GFCSD is a stable and healthy organization, providing quality water to its residents.