



# Centerville CSD

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## Centerville Seeks Bids for Installation of 24-Inch Water Main in Placer Road

Centerville CSD is currently soliciting sealed bids for the construction of the Placer Road Water Improvements Project. These improvements are necessary to add additional capacity to the distribution system.

The Base Bid consists of constructing approximately 740 feet of 24-inch water main along Placer Road. An additional 700 feet of 24-inch water main and the replacement of the Silver King Road water main may also be awarded depending upon bid pricing. The sealed bids will be opened on April 10th at 2:00 pm at the District Office.

## INITIAL WATER ALLOCATION

On March 22nd, the District received a 70% Municipal & Industrial (M&I) water allocation from the Bureau of Reclamation. At present, the impacts of this reduced allocation are being evaluated for this year's water supply needs. Please refer to upcoming newsletters for updated information.

## Maybe It's Time To Add A New Suit To Your Wardrobe



### Volunteer Firefighters Are Needed

Have you ever had an interest in fighting fires? Helping someone in need with a medical emergency? Becoming a volunteer requires no prior training or experience. The mandated training will be provided to you through the Shasta County Fire Department's Training Bureau. On average, it takes between 4 months to 1 year to complete the necessary training to become a full responder.

If you are not interested in responding to fires but want to help your community by responding to medical calls you can join as a limited medical responder.

The volunteer fire service is a great way to give back to your community, while working with great personnel and receive quality training opportunities.

If you would like more information on how to be a volunteer please call (530) 225-2418, or stop by the Centerville Volunteer Fire Station on a Tuesday night at 6 pm.

*Join The  
Centerville Volunteer Fire Company  
Today!*



# SPRING CLEANING AND DEFENSIBLE SPACE...



Spring is here and that means it's time for Spring Cleaning and creating that defensible space around your home. Don't let spring's scattered storms and showers fool you, wildfire season officially begins April 15th.

Here are a few first steps you can do today, even if you only have a little free time to clean, to help protect your home from wildfire.



- Clean up the brush: Reducing brush appears to be the most important factor for success. You want to have a zone with at least 100 feet of space immediately around your home that is free from ignition hazards presented by vegetation and combustible construction. This not only helps protect your home, but also gives firefighters a safer place to fight the fire.
- Rake the leaves: Leaf accumulation provides fuel for wildland fires.
- Mow the lawn: The grass around the house can tend to grow tall and unruly during the wet winter months. These grasses dry out and provide a path for the fire that can lead directly to your house.
- Clean the gutters and the roof: Make sure you remove all dead leaves and pine needles from your gutters, roof, and from around your home. This debris left from the winter weather is highly combustible and is like a fire starter for your home.
- Clean under the deck: Keep the surface and area beneath decks and porches free of debris and leaves.
- Stack firewood away from the house: Many people make the mistake of keeping firewood stacked close to the house for easy access. If a spark lands in your wood pile it could ignite your house. Make sure you stack wood at least 30 feet away from structures to help protect them from wildfire.
- Trim trees and brush back from structures: Remove all dead or overhanging branches. During the windy conditions that exist during a wildland fire, flames, sparks, and firebrands could travel from your trees to the roof of your home.
- Limb trees up to 10 feet from the ground: Limbing your trees will help reduce the chances that a fire on the ground will spread into tree tops – this is especially important if your property has lots of trees.
- Dispose of cuttings and debris properly: Dispose of your yard waste properly, and make sure you don't leave it piled near the house in the back yard. That defeats the purpose of all the work you did!

Think you don't need defensible space? Remember, with the right conditions (a dry, hot, windy day) and an ignition source (a spark from a vehicle, machinery, or a carelessly tossed cigarette), your home could be in fire's path faster than you might imagine. Making the effort to reduce your home's vulnerability to wildfire today could really pay off if disaster strikes.

Happy Spring Cleaning!



## Average Water Usage

*Compare the usage on your water bill with the average of the District.*

*March's Average: 1,400 cubic - feet.*

## SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS:

The next scheduled Board of Director's Meeting will be held Wednesday, April 18th at 7:00 pm, at the District Office.

*The public is always welcome.*



## Protect Yourself and those you love... from Mosquitos

Did you know that Mosquitoes can breed in just a capful of water? 100+ can breed in a cup of water. Protect yourself from mosquitoes and the diseases they carry by following the 5 D's:

**DRAIN** standing water around the house weekly including tires, cans, flowerpots, clogged rain gutters, animal water dishes, toys, and puddles, since it's where mosquitoes lay eggs.

**DUSK & DAWN** are when mosquitoes that carry the virus are most active, so limit outdoor activities or take precautions to prevent mosquito bites.

**DEET** is an effective ingredient to look for in insect repellents. Always follow label instructions carefully.

**DRESS** in long sleeves and pants during dawn and dusk or in areas where mosquitoes are active.