



Rio Alto Water District

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Billing System Updates:

Availability bills were mailed out March 31, 2018. To avoid delinquent charges, payments need to be received on or before May 7, 2018. New metered billings will be going out in the mail the first week in May. Thanks to all that have provided current phone numbers - if you haven't already provided yours, please include in your next billing coupon.

Drought News:

Precipitation totals for the water year beginning Oct.1, 2017 are 18.58", with a normal season to date being 30.56" (a little more than half of normal). Last year at this time we had received 45.94". The current statewide snowpack is about 49% of the average for this time of the year. March and April have helped considerably, but it looks like we are still going to come up short for the year. The distance from the crest of Shasta Dam is 12.90ft., up over 20 feet from last month. We are fortunate the water year started with higher than normal levels in the dams.

Wetlands:

We closed the wetlands for several days during inclement weather and when the ISHI crew were on site doing maintenance. Someone cut the lock off the pedestrian gate when it was closed. If you have any information as to anyone involved in this, please contact the District. The ISHI crew will be back on site on May 10th to finish up on the wetlands so the wetlands will be closed between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm on that day. As a reminder, dogs must be on a leash at all times. Plastic bags are provided in the doggie waste station as well as trash cans to clean up after your pets.

SAVE MONEY- Check out your irrigation system before turning it on.

Soon customers will begin outdoor watering again. Now is the time to check your timers, irrigation pipes, sprinkler heads and drip lines. To avoid costly water bills, please make any necessary repairs to your system before resuming cycles. Most customers water in the early mornings and are not awake while their systems are running, so broken lines and/or needed repairs could go unnoticed, leading to higher water consumption.

Wastewater Treatment Plant:

As a reminder, please do not flush anything down your drains/toilets other than human waste, gray water and toilet paper. This can save the District and the customer costly sewer backups.

Reminder: Rio Alto Water District holds its Board Meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm, at the District Boardroom. Agendas, Minutes and Resolutions can be accessed at www.rawd.org under News & Notices.

Rio Alto Water District is a Special District governed by California Water Code and not affiliated with the Property Owners Association.