



# Rio Alto Water District

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## **Billing System Updates:**

Availability bills will be going out in the mail on 6/30/18. These bills will become delinquent August 6, 2018, and delinquent charges will be assessed on August 7, 2018. Metered billings for May through June will be going out the first week of July.

## **Drought News:**

The Governor has signed into law two permanent water conservation bills that will become effective in 2020. These laws will reduce indoor water consumption to 55 gallons per day per person. It will also reduce outdoor irrigation, but the outdoor budget is unknown at this time. These laws, as written, do not affect Rio Alto Water District at this time. The laws apply to Urban Water Suppliers. An Urban Water Supplier is defined as 3,000 connections or 3,000 acre feet of water distribution. While this is good news for the immediate future, we suspect the smaller agencies will be addressed before 2020. The District will keep you updated as we learn more. We predict there will be many changes before 2020. Most Agencies have no way of segregating indoor and outdoor consumption. Conservation will be the new normal for California. If you are planning any landscaping projects, be conservative by planting drought resistant plants and avoid planting grass. Applications for turf removal rebates can still be found at [turf@saveourwaterrebates.com](mailto:turf@saveourwaterrebates.com).

The precipitation total for the water year beginning Oct. 1, 2017 is 19.70", with a normal season to date being 33.50". The distance from the crest of Shasta Dam is 24.26ft with increased flows for agriculture and to keep the water temperatures down for fish.

## **SAVE MONEY- Check out your irrigation system.**

You can save yourself considerable amounts of money on your water bills by making repairs to your outdoor irrigation systems and smart water schedules. Check your timers, turn your systems off during rain events, do not run sprinklers in the heat of the day, adjust sprinklers to avoid runoff, and repair any broken lines or sprinkler heads.

## **Board Vacancy:**

Effective June 21, 2018 a vacancy has occurred on the Rio Alto Water District Board of Directors. Applications are being accepted until July 13, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office located at 22099 River View Drive, Cottonwood, CA 96022. Applications can be obtained at the District Office or accessed on the District website at [www.rawd.org](http://www.rawd.org).

## **District Elections:**

The regular biennial election will take place on November 6, 2018. Directors Craig Weaver and Steve Gibbs' terms will expire in December of this year. Nominations for offices in our District open on July 16, 2018 and close on August 10, 2018.

Qualifications for Board Members of the Rio Alto Water District are; The Directors and Officers of the District must be citizens of the United States over the age of twenty one years. Each Director shall be a registered voter during their term of office, a resident of Lake California, and either they or an immediate family member shall not serve concurrently as a member of another policy-making entity which does business with the District; which entities include, but are not limited to, the Lake California Property Owners Association and its committees and the Tehama County Board of Supervisors and its commissions and/or committees.

**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](http://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.