



# Newsletter

Clear Creek Community Services District  
5880 Oak Street, Happy Valley, CA

Serving the Communities of  
Happy Valley & Olinda  
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## Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Highlights are from the meeting of the Board of Directors, Wednesday, January 19, 2011. A complete set of minutes, once approved by the Board is available at the District Office.

**Attendance:** Four directors in attendance; one absent.

**Consent Agenda:** Items reviewed and unanimously approved.

**Old Business:** *Alternate Route with Estimate for Line Extension on Happy Valley Road from Flowers to Strawberry Lanes*—Based on instructions from the Board last month, the Superintendent told the board it is feasible the extension could be on Fuzzy Lane to Strawberry. There is a seasonal creek that needs to be crossed by boring under it. Easements have yet to be checked.

There is an issue with getting water to China Gulch that can be resolved by installation of an isolation valve at Butterfield. The velocity should be fine, but there is always a concern about pumping into a closed system. The latest hydraulic model from PACE indicates the entire district can be kept in water with the addition of the line extension from Cloverdale to Butterfield. That installation can be done during low demand time but there will be customers without water service so they will be set up with portable water tanks. Staff was asked to report back next month on costs and a timeline.

**Adoption of Final Audit/Management Letter—FY 09/10**—A motion was made and seconded to adopt the

final audit/management letter. Motion voted and unanimously approved.

**Amend O&M and Capital Budgets—FY 10/11**—The overall budget has been reduced by 7.8%. After reviewing the amended budgets and a recommendation from the Financial Committee, a motion was made and seconded to approved the amended 10/11 FY budgets. Motion voted and unanimously approved.

**Changing Meeting Starting Time to 8:00 AM**—After a brief discussion, it was decided not to pursue this issue.

**Presentation of Indexed Rates**—A draft of indexed rates was reviewed by the board. The Chairwoman directed staff to prepare an ordinance for consideration next month.

**Development of "Green" Water Classification**—Staff was directed to make contact with customers that have been converted to M&I rates and ask if there was interest in participation to develop criteria for a "green" rate and make a recommendation to the board.

**Staff Report:** The State Water Resources Quality Control Board is pursuing the idea of 100% recycled backwash water. The district is first testing different treatment chemicals to determine if we can rid the backwash water of aluminum.

We are in receipt of a letter from the County collecting information on facilities, water uses, sources, etc. that may

contribute to greenhouse gas emissions.

There were no other questions concerning information in the written staff report.

## Notary Service

Clear Creek currently has a Notary Public on staff and is offering Notary Services as a courtesy to our customers during regular business hours. **Please call ahead** for an appointment and/or cost information.



## Monthly Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 16th 2011 at 9:00 a.m.** The public is encouraged to attend.

## Contact Us!

- Phone: (530) 357-2121 (24 hour emergency #)
- Fax: (530) 357-3723
- [cccsd@shasta.com](mailto:cccsd@shasta.com)
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## Water Usage In Acre Feet Water Year: March 1st to February 28th

Month	Previous Year	Current Year	+/-
March	122	108	- 14
April	184	114	- 70
May	337	238	- 99
June	329	582	+ 253
July	825	921	+ 96
Aug	784	792	+ 8
Sept	642	623	- 19
Oct	278	393	+ 115
Nov	131	174	+ 43
Dec	129	114	- 15
Jan			
Feb			
YTD	3761	4059	+ 298

Figures reflect meter readings at Whiskeytown Dam, less water diverted to Centerville CSD.

## Board of Directors

Johanna Trenerry, Chairwoman  
 Irwin Fust, Vice Chair  
 Ronald Asher, Director  
 Calvin Ciapponi, Director  
 Doug Evans, Director

## District Holidays

The District Office will be closed the following days in February:



**Monday, February 14th** In Observance of Lincoln's Birthday &



**Monday, February 21st** In Observance of President's Day

Staff will be on stand-by; please call 357-2121 in case of emergency.



**Weather Observations**  
**\*December 2010**

Rainfall Totals	2008	2009	2010
MTD	2.14"	3.52"	8.9"
*YTD	7.63"	6.25"	17.25"

**Monthly High & Low Temperatures**

High Temp. 61 Low Temp. 27  
Avg. High 52 Avg. Low 41

*\*Year to Date Rainfall Totals are from July to June  
Weather Information Provided by Clear Creek Staff*

**Eighth Grade Fundraiser**

The Happy Valley 8th Grade Graduation Committee is looking for donations for its silent auction and raffle taking place on February 26th at the Happy Valley Elementary School. This event coincides with the Wild West Mystery & Dinner show. Cost is \$20 per person. Only 200 tickets will be sold. For more information and to purchase tickets, please call the elementary school at 357-2111.

**Happy Valley Happenings**

**Roadside Clean-Up:** The next roadside clean-up is planned for **Saturday, Feb. 5th**. Volunteers meet at the Community Center on Happy Valley Road at 8:00 a.m. for coffee and donuts. Wear your Pride Day t-shirts and bring your gloves. Bags will be provided.

**Happy Valley Farm Trail Education: Saturday, February 12th:** Dormant fruit tree spraying. Elma Acres, 5507 Happy Valley Road. Put on by Ernel Jones. Time is 1:00 p.m. Please call 357-2829 for more info.

**\*\*\*\*\*Water Conservation\*\*\*\*\***

**"Installing Irrigation Systems"**  
**Drip or Trickle Irrigation**

The basic elements of a drip or trickle system consist of the head, and the emitters. The head is the part of the system that connects to your water supply. The major components of this may include a pressure regulator, a filter, an anti-siphon valve, and an automatic timer. While this may sound complicated and expensive, it is not. Installation of these components will create a better operating system.

**Consideration for the Head**

- 1) Many drip systems are designed to be used with low water pressure, under 25 pounds per square inch (psi). Normal water pressure is about 55 psi. Therefore, a pressure regulator should be installed.
- 2) Because of the small size of the openings in the emitters, they easily can become clogged by sediment in the water. A filter should be installed to keep openers operating freely.
- 3) Consider installing a backflow preventer. This is a valve that prevents the accidental backflow of water in the system getting into the water line. Considering the minor cost, it is probably a wise investment for anyone considering a system.
- 4) A timing device can be added to automatically turn the system on and off. This can be as simple as a battery operated attachment or a more permanent timer that is wired into your electrical system.

**Next Month: "Plastic Tubing Considerations"**

**Foundation Seeking Grant Requests**

The Happy Valley Community Foundation will be accepting requests for mini grants through February 28, 2011. Individuals and groups interested in applying for grants that support or serve our youth, education or community enrichment must be located within or serve Happy Valley residents contained within the boundaries of the Happy Valley Community Foundation. Requests must clearly identify the purpose of the grant, who will be served, the amount requested and a contact person. Requests should be mailed to the Happy Valley Community Foundation at 5400 Happy Valley Road, Anderson, CA 96007. For more information, call 357-5449.

**Happy Valley Lions Club Sunday Breakfasts**

The Happy Valley Lions Club's monthly breakfast is the third Sunday of the month at the Happy Valley Elementary School. Breakfast is from 8:00 am to 11:00 am; and is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under age 10 with your choice of (#1) Biscuits and Gravy with Sausage and Eggs or (#2) Pancakes with Sausage and Eggs. Meals include juice, coffee and eggs cooked your way! All proceeds stay in the Happy Valley area.