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WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

At the March 10, 2016 Special Board meeting Rainbow MWD Board Committee members unanimously voted two new board members onto the committee; Mr. William Stewart and Mr. Richard Bigley. The vacancies were created by the resignations of Director Jack Griffiths in Division 2 and Director Bob Lucy from Division 4 who served the District well and made significant contributions to the Board.

Mr. Stewart who will be representing Division 4 is currently a Director on the Pala Mesa Village Homeowners Association and has decades of experience in the development of water and wastewater projects for several communities across California.

Mr. Bigley representing Division 2 has served on a number of local civic groups including the Fallbrook Hospital Board of Trustees, the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce, and the Fallbrook Community Planning Group.

Although they will serve a relatively short term as the seats will be up for re-election November 2016, we anticipate a positive impact and considerable endeavors will be made in this short period. We invite you to come join us at our next meeting and welcome our two new board members. For information on any of our upcoming meetings visit our website at http://www.rainbowmwd.com.

CONSERVATION BULLETIN

As of March 2016, the mandatory reduction target for Rainbow Municipal Water District (RMWD) non-agricultural customers was reduced from 36% to 28%. This reduction is in response to a request made by the District to be allowed to factor in the drought resistant local supplies that are now part of the San Diego County Water Authority supply profile. The specific supply that was validated by the SWRCB was the new Bud Lewis Carlsbad Desalination Plant.

Our customers have done an amazing job of reducing and eliminating water waste; however, this reduction does not mean that customers should stop their conservation efforts and are encouraged to regularly monitor their outdoor water use to ensure their systems are operating efficiently.

For additional conservation resources and rebate information got to the *Update* tab of our webpage and click on *Conservation*. For upcoming conservation workshops and events please go to our website and view our *Event Calendar at* http://www.rainbowmwd.com.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

RMWD is currently seeking new community volunteers to fill vacancies on it Communications Committee.

The Communications Committee assists the Board and General Manager with internal and external public relations campaigns, preparation of the newsletters, community outreach and other public relations programs.

If you are interested in volunteering to serve on one or more of RMWD committee, please contact Cynthia Gray at (760) 728-1178 Ext. 101.

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FEATURED SPOTLIGHT

On March 30, 2016 Rainbow Municipal Water District (RMWD) and North County Fire (NCF) teamed up on a joint rescue training operation Confined Space Rescue Training conducted at Beck reservoir. This mock training exercise is a simulation of a rescue from the bottom of a reservoir where the subject has been overcome by H2s sulfide gas. RMWD and NCF demonstrated their preparing and planning models to remove the subject, represented here by a manikin, from the bottom of a reservoir where rescue team joined forces and equipment to extract and pull the manikin from the reservoir using rescue ropes, manpower and a pulley.

The training is performed in order for responders to experience confined space rescue first-hand and to stay abreast of rescue rope operation requirements throughout the District for internal and external rescue operations. The entire event reproduction and training application took RMWD staff and local fire fighters two hours to accomplish and was a successful operation and positive collaborative effort. This is one of the many ways we assure that our staff, in cooperation with local emergency response teams, are equipped and ready to answer to emergency situations as they may arise.

