

RESORT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT No. 1 SHELTER COVE, HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Electric, Water, Sewer, Fire Protection, Search & Rescue, Airport, Golf Links, Recreation

MARCH 2018 NEWSLETTER

WINTER WEATHER CONDITIONS

The District would like to remind drivers to practice safe winter weather driving. Shelter Cove Road may be intermittently impacted by hail, ice and snow throughout March and it is recommended that when travelling over Paradise Ridge that you prepare for winter conditions by carrying chains or by using a 4 x 4 vehicle with good snow or A/T tires. Please call County Roads at 445-7421 for current road conditions or call the Fire Department at 986-7507 before travelling in cold wet weather.

Daylight Savings Begins:

Please remember to put your clocks forward an hour on Sunday morning, March 11th.

Irrigation Systems Check:

We have had numerous large water leaks occurring from irrigation systems mainly in the upper reaches of the District. This may be due to the recent freezing temperatures. If you have an irrigation system, please check it for leaks on a regular basis to avoid unnecessary waste of potable water.

Backflow Prevention Device:

The District would like to remind customers to refrain from leaving open water hoses in standing water such as buckets. Without a backflow prevention device, contaminated water could potentially flow back into our water system if the system becomes depressurized.

Call Before You Dig:

Please call USA North @ 1-800-227-2600 at least two working days before you dig. An RID representative will contact you.

COMMENTS: We encourage your comments, so please use your bill stub to provide feedback regarding matters within the District's control.

PAMPAS GRASS REMOVAL

The District is encouraging residents to help eliminate Pampas Grass from Shelter Cove. Pampas Grass is invasive and spreads rapidly onto neighboring lots and is very difficult to remove. Our Fire Department also supports its removal as it impedes the department from fighting fires because it creates an impenetrable barrier that will cut through clothes and skin and it is highly flammable. The best way to eradicate the plant is to remove it before it matures. Seed heads should be removed in the summer and large plants can be removed with heavy equipment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Tsunami Warning Siren Test:

With the help of District staff, the Fire Department installed the first of three new Tsunami sirens. This first siren is located adjacent the sewer plant and will be tested on March 28 between 11:00 a.m. Noon as part of a county-wide communications test. Please don't be alarmed if you hear the siren at this time.

- You do NOT need to take any action
- Do NOT call 911 or local authorities
- Do NOT evacuate your home or business THIS IS ONLY A TEST!!

Reducing Shelter Cove's Fire Hazards:

Now is the time to do your part to reduce fire hazards by keeping your property clear of brush and heavy tree growth. Before burning cleared vegetation please obtain the proper burn permits, keep your burn piles small with plenty of water at hand, never leave fires unattended and make sure the fire is dead out before you leave for the day. If the Fire Department is called out to extinguish your unsafe or illegal burn pile, you will receive a bill for their expenses and possibly a large fine from the Air Quality Management District.