



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

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### **APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER**

#### **SHELTER COVE ROAD SLIDE-OUT REPAIR**

Construction work to repair the Shelter Cove Road slide-out located above the Hillside drive intersection to McCullough Construction Inc. is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 6th and will continue through the summer. Traffic will be diverted along Telegraph Creek Road or along Hillside and Toth Roads. Please drive courteously and carefully to reduce impacts to these residential neighborhoods.

#### **RID Website Resource and Public Outreach**

The District regularly posts important public notifications on the District's website and issues press releases to local media outlets and to the Pioneer's list-serve. Please utilize these important resources to obtain coronavirus information. **You can also provide your email address directly to RID for emergency notifications.**

#### **Disposal of Disinfectant Wipes:**

Many residents are using disinfectant wipes to keep themselves and their families safe during this coronavirus healthcare crisis. We are requesting that customers who are located in the sewer area avoid using the sewer system to dispose of disinfectant wipes. These are problematic as they cause blockages in our sewer lines and backflows of wastewater into homes and businesses. The proper way to dispose of wipes is to place them in the garbage. **Even flushable wipes are not flushable.**

#### **Census 2020:**

If you haven't completed your census form you still have an opportunity to complete it by going online at <https://2020census.gov/> It is important that everyone fill in the form so we obtain funding for our community.

The District would like to thank you for your patience while we are going through this State of Emergency.

#### **FULL-TIME JOB VACANCY**

##### **Fire Chief/Emergency Services Director:**

**Minimum qualifications:** High School Diploma (or GED). Minimum of five years full-time firefighting experience and medical experience of at least a First Responder level or equivalent. Must have the ability to train, motivate and recruit volunteers. Must pass a medical examination, "Life Scan" and drug test. Must possess a valid CA driver's license.

Fire Chief shall reside in the Shelter Cove community.

**Compensation:** Salary range \$75,000 to \$100,000

Full-time benefits package includes paid vacation, sick, medical, dental, vision and life insurance. Vacancy open until filled.

Job description and application are available at the District Office or on the District's website: [www.sheltercove-ca.gov](http://www.sheltercove-ca.gov). Address all responses to Justin Robbins, General Manager, 9126 Shelter Cove Road, Whitethorn, CA 95589, phone 707-986-7015, email [gm@sheltercove-ca.gov](mailto:gm@sheltercove-ca.gov)

#### **EMERGENCY ALERT SIREN TEST A SUCCESS**

At 10AM on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> there was a test of Shelter Cove's Emergency Notification System including activation of three wildfire alert sirens and two tsunami alert sirens. The test went smoothly with lots of positive feedback from residents. Our alert system is state of the art and has different sounds for different emergencies. A solid tone is used for tsunami warnings and an undulating tone is used for a wildfire alert. The system can also be used for public addresses should the need arise. Our automated phone tree was also triggered. Please update your contact information with RID to make sure you receive a call.

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



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GM Newsletter – April 2020

To all of our customers and the residents of Shelter Cove,

The staff of Resort Improvement District No.1 and Shelter Cove Fire wishes to express its deep gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to be able to serve the people, families and businesses of Shelter Cove. Our community and our District have experienced many challenges over the past 55 years and today we face another great challenge with the grave threat of the coronavirus pandemic and COVID-19.

To meet this great challenge, District staff and Shelter Cove Fire are working safely and diligently to maintain our utility operations; prepare our first responders and coordinate & work creatively with our partners, contractors and local governments. District staff is doing its best to take each day one at a time, while also looking to the future and remembering the past. Your support, thoughts and prayers have made the difference in each staff member and will continue to do so. Thank you. And thank you for your patience and personal commitment to Sheltering-In-Place and offering your assistance to others.

Our District has declared a local emergency and has implemented its Emergency Operations Center (EOC) currently located at the Fire Station/Main District office at 9126 Shelter Cove Road.

Please note the following emergency operation actions taken by the District:

- The District office is closed to all public (person to person) interaction for the length of the Shelter-In-Place Order. The service window is closed. Please make your utility payment by mail or by inserting your payment (check/cash) through the door slot. Envelopes (for payment) are available near the District office entrance. You may also pay your utility bill over the phone with your debit or credit card by calling 707-986-7447 (Monday through Friday, 8AM to 12Noon & 1PM to 4PM). For your protection, District staff will not be able to meet and speak with you in person at the office while paying your utility bill or for any other businesses. Please call 707-986-7447 to speak with District staff.
- The District will not be performing utility disconnects for non-payment through May 31<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the District office if you are experiencing a hardship and need to discuss payment options for your utility bill.
- The Shelter Cove Airport is open for essential and emergency use only at this time.
- The Shelter Cove Community Clubhouse, Library, and Shelter Cove Playground are all closed to public use. Your District's hiking trails, golf course (walking only on golf course – no playing of golf or other organized sports), beaches and greenbelt remain open for your use and enjoyment. Proper social distance of 6 feet must be maintained.

**RESORT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1** - 9126 Shelter Cove Road, Whitethorn, CA 95589  
Phone: 707-986-7447, Fax: 707-986-7435, M – F 8 AM to Noon and 1 PM to 4 PM  
After Hours Utility Emergencies: 223-1225 [www.sheltercove-ca.gov](http://www.sheltercove-ca.gov)



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- The Shelter Cove Golf Links course is closed to all solo and group golf play and golf carts are not permitted on the course at this time. The Shelter Cove Golf Links course can still be accessed by individuals who are walking provided they follow social distancing practices.

In addition, the District wants to share the following community and civic information:

- Humboldt County has set up a COVID-19 (coronavirus) compliance tip-line for residents concerned about certain business operations or gatherings (congregation) in the community. The compliance tip line number is 707-441-3022. For general coronavirus information call 707-441-5000. The business support information line is 707-268-2527.
- Shelter Cove Road slide repair project (at mile post 7.60) has begun. Prepare for Shelter Cove Road (between its junction with Hillside Drive and lower Toth Road junction) to be closed to all traffic. Two detour routes – Toth Road, Parsons Road and Hillside Drive & Telegraph Creek and Beach Roads – will be signed and open for traffic.
- In the coming weeks, Family Tree Service will be performing roadside vegetation clearing in Shelter Cove funded by Measure Z. Roads will be cleared from overhead and encroaching vegetation on Telegraph Creek Road, Toth Road, Oak Drive, Walker Way, Blue Ridge Drive, Wood Court, Cougar Road, Wolverine Way, Upper Pacific Drive (from its junction with Humboldt Loop to its junction with Lower Pacific Drive) and Shelter Cove Road (from its junction with King Peak Road to its junction with Willow Glen Road). **Please be prepared to move any vehicles, trailers, equipment from these roadways** so that Family Tree may fully perform their work. Your cooperation is most appreciated.
- The BLM (Bureau of Land Management) has closed all developed campgrounds, developed recreation sites and vault toilets throughout California, including locally here in the King Range National Conservation Area. Wilderness Permits for overnight use of the King Range and Lost Coast Trail are suspended and will not be issued at this time. Trails remain open to day-use.
- Shelter Cove Fishing Preservation Inc. (SCFPI) announced that daily launch operations at Shelter Cove Marina for the general public are closed.
- The Shelter Cove General Store will only be accepting phone and email orders. Please call 707-986-7733 or email [scgeneralstore@gmail.com](mailto:scgeneralstore@gmail.com) to place your order.
- Lost Coast Adventure Tours is now offering food/paper supply delivery service to the Shelter Cove, Whitethorn and Whale Gulch communities. Please call 707-986-9895 to request an order sheet and to



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see what items you can order. You can also check out “Lost Coast Adventure Tours” on Facebook or email: [info@lostcoastadventuretours.com](mailto:info@lostcoastadventuretours.com)

The District and Shelter Cove Fire additionally request that you:

- First and foremost, protect yourself and your family by following the Shelter-In-Place Order.
- Dial 911 for any and all medical/fire/ocean emergencies. **Please do not hesitate to call 911 for non-coronavirus medical/fire/ocean emergencies.**
- Know that your Shelter Cove Fire department is available and prepared to meet the needs of our community. With the new threat of COVID-19 our firefighters are taking extra precautions on all medical calls, not just potential COVID-19 emergencies. You might see firefighters responding to calls for service in masks gowns and goggles. This is part of our new standard operating guidelines and does not mean patients are positive for COVID-19. These are extra precautions to protect our first responders and the patients we treat.
- Request assistance for your non-medical/food/personal needs by contacting Shelter Cove Fire at 707-986-7507 or by contacting Shelter Cove CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) on Shelter Cove CERT’s Facebook page.

Be well, take care and stay safe,

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