

COUNTY OF YOLO

Office of the County Administrator

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Dear Wild Wings County Service Area Residents,

In July, you received a letter explaining that the aquifers that supply Wild Wings have not, and will not soon recover from the drought, thus putting the community's water supply at risk. The letter went on to explain that over-watering of landscaping is also wreaking havoc on the metering system by flooding the green water meter boxes, found at the base of your property.

Since then, an inventory of flooded vaults has been taken. Those with this issue will find another notice enclosed indicating a possible charge of \$75 the next time the station must be pumped.

In the months to come, new units that send meter information to the County will be installed on each water meter to provide for more timely and accurate readings. Homeowners with vaults that need to be pumped to accommodate installation will be charged. Additionally, while these new units are designed to withstand some flooding, year-round flooding shortens the life of the equipment. Homeowners with metering equipment that fails early due to year-round flooding will be charged \$200 per replacement.

To avoid unnecessary charges from flooded water meter stations, and to help conserve water, a few tips:

- You may have a cracked or broken irrigation pipe that needs attention by a certified plumber.
- Water your yard no more than 3 days a week. It helps to divide irrigation into two short time periods (7 minutes each, an hour apart) to allow the ground to moisten and soak in more water the second time around. This will limit wasteful run-off into your water meter box and the storm drain.
- Consider changing your sprinkler heads from spray to rotor which are more adjustable to keep the water off sidewalks and streets.

While the Homeowner's Association provides mowing service, you are responsible for your irrigation system which includes fixing leaks and adjusting water times appropriate to the season. For water conservation tips and Wild Wings' outdoor watering schedule, as well as other County Service Area resources, visit: www.YoloCounty.org/Wild-Wings-CSA

It is a pleasure serving the residents of the Wild Wings County Service Area. Should you need any assistance, don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Yolo County Service Area Administrative Support Team E-mail: YoloCSA@yolocounty.org or (530) 666-8153

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