

## A REQUEST FOR WATER CONSERVATION

- **Phase # 1 shutdown will start on Sunday March 16, 2014 and continue through Wednesday March 19, 2014.**
- **Phase # 2 shutdown starting Sunday March 23, 2014 and will end on Wednesday March 26, 2014.**

Metropolitan Water District will shut down the # 4 Aqueduct pipe line that serves Rainbow Municipal Water District to perform repairs to the Aqueduct Infrastructure. The Shutdowns will eliminate the District's water source supply for a total six-day period.

In order to provide water to all areas of the District, temporary pumps will be installed at appropriate locations throughout RMWD. These pumps may be required to run at all hours of the day and noise may be experienced by some customers in the local vicinity.

We are asking customers to assist RMWD by conserving water. If weather conditions are cool and/or wet, the District will have enough water in storage to handle the outage during this period. If you are an agricultural customer or a grove service, the District is asking you to voluntarily refrain from using water from **March 15, 2014 through March 19, 2014 and then again on March 22, 2014 to March 27, 2014** the two extra days will allow our reservoirs adequate storage. In the event weather conditions dictate or the District determines water usage may exceed the water in storage, mandatory restrictions for agricultural water use will be enforced. If you have any questions, please call the RMWD Customer Service Department at (760) 728-1125 ext. 1101 and ext 1133.

The District apologizes in advance for any inconvenience this may cause its customers and appreciates your best efforts to conserve water during this short period of time.

Kevin Miller  
Project Superintendent

## BECK UV TREATMENT FACILITY UPDATE

A short presentation on the Beck UV Treatment Facility was given by staff at the Feb 4 Engineering Committee meeting. The presentation focused specifically on equipment selection and preliminary architectural details. The public is always welcome at Engineering Committee meetings and we did some extra advertising to encourage interested neighbors to be part of the discussion. We're glad we did; some great questions were asked and answered!



Just in case you missed the meeting, Rainbow is moving forward with the same reactors (housing for the

lamps) that FPUD is currently using at Red Mountain Reservoir and it's been offered to us at the same price FPUD paid 7 years ago. This is a significant savings for us! At time of FPUD's bid, the only competitor was more than twice the price, and costs have escalated in recent years.

The meeting also focused on facility layout and architecture. The feedback from the audience was favorable with only minor concerns about landscaping and a portion of the roof being flat. Audience and committee members understood that noise levels will be addressed as part of the sound study, which began in early March.

We will give a general schedule update at the March 25 Board meeting, at 1pm. We'd love to see you there!

## EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Late in 2013, a new employee recognition program was implemented at RMWD for Employee of the Quarter and Employee of the Year. For the third quarter of 2013, the employees voted for Justin Demary from the Construction and Maintenance Department as the RMWD Employee of the Quarter and Tammy Rakusan from Customer Service for the fourth quarter. Justin Demary was selected as the 2013 RMWD Employee of the Year. Both were acknowledged and presented with awards for their respective nominations.



In January 2014, Rene Del Rio from the Fleet Department was selected as the first RMWD Employee of the Quarter for the new year. Rene was acknowledged at the March 3, 2014 all hands employee meeting and presented with awards for his nomination. Rene will now select his successor for RMWD Employee of the Quarter in April 2014.

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**AGRICULTURAL AND NURSERY PROPERTY OWNER NEWS**

The North County Irrigated Lands Group (NCILG) is a monitoring group authorized by the Rainbow Municipal Water District's Board of Directors. The purpose of the NCILG is to assist agricultural and nursery property owners with meeting the irrigated lands requirements of Conditional Waiver #4 (Waiver) from the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board). For information on the waiver go to the Regional Board website <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/> and click on the Agriculture link or contact Dat Quach, Program Manager at (619) 521-5899 or [Dat.Quach@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Dat.Quach@waterboards.ca.gov)

To meet the requirements of the Waiver, you need to join an existing monitoring group, form a new monitoring group or enroll as an individual. Joining the NCILG will meet the Waiver requirements. Failure to be in a monitoring group may result in fines from the Regional Board. For information on joining the NCILG, contact Chuck Sneed at (760) 525-6935 or [csneed@rainbowmwd.com](mailto:csneed@rainbowmwd.com)

**SAN DIEGO REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (REGIONAL BOARD) TENTATIVE GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

The Regional Board is developing a General Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) for Discharges of Waste from Commercial Agriculture and Nursery Operations within the San Diego Region to replace Conditional Waiver #4 (Waiver) that will expire in 2014. The WDR is in draft form and the Regional Board anticipates it to be finalized late this year or early 2015. All agricultural and nursery property owners have the opportunity to comment on the tentative WDR. For information go to the Regional Board website [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water\\_issues/programs/irrigated\\_lands/irrigated\\_ag\\_tp.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/irrigated_lands/irrigated_ag_tp.shtml) or contact Roger Mitchell at (619) 521-5898 or [Roger.Mitchell@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Roger.Mitchell@waterboards.ca.gov)

**NORTH COUNTY IRRIGATED LANDS GROUP (NCILG) MEMBER NEWS**

If you are a current member of the NCILG and have not completed and submitted a property inspection and parcel map or sketch, they are due now. Inspection checklist forms, called Self Assessment for Tree Crop or Self Assessment for Nurseries are available on the Rainbow Water website under the Monitoring Group tab.

The parcel map or sketch of your property needs to include parcel boundaries, areas where runoff can drain into and off of your property, approximate locations of crops and buildings and any BMP's you have in place. Digital pictures of any BMP's would also be beneficial. A list of BMP's is available on the Rainbow Water website under the Monitoring Group tab.

The NCILG is required to submit property inspections and parcel maps to the Regional Board by March 31, 2014. Drop off or send the inspections and parcel maps to:

NCILG (Rainbow Water)  
3707 Old Highway 395  
Fallbrook, CA 92028

For information on the NCILG or questions on the property inspections or parcel maps, contact Chuck Sneed at [csneed@rainbowmwd.com](mailto:csneed@rainbowmwd.com) or text or phone at (760) 525-6935.