



# Sausalito-Marín City Sanitary District

*Providing Wastewater Collection, and Safe Disposal to Protect our Community's Health and the Bay*

## Major Improvements Lower Long-Term Costs While Protecting our Community and Environment

Sausalito-Marín City Sanitary District is in the midst of a ten-year, \$46 million upgrade of virtually the entire wastewater system: treatment, pipelines, pump stations, odor control and more. The result will be improved environmental protection and lower, long-term costs.

### Office Update Completed for Half of Cost of New Building



District staff had been divided into several small and old buildings that did not meet modern requirements, so an existing building was remodeled to become the new District main office. Work included reinforcement of the building's foundation, energy efficient lighting, water conserving fixtures, and changes to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Additional work included minor remodeling of the existing office and operations buildings. The cost was about \$1 million or roughly half of the amount of constructing a new building.

### Upgrades Ensure Quality

The District is replacing its disinfection analyzers that are at the end of their useful life. These measure whether the treated wastewater is properly disinfected. Updated analyzers will help lower chemical costs and improve treatment.



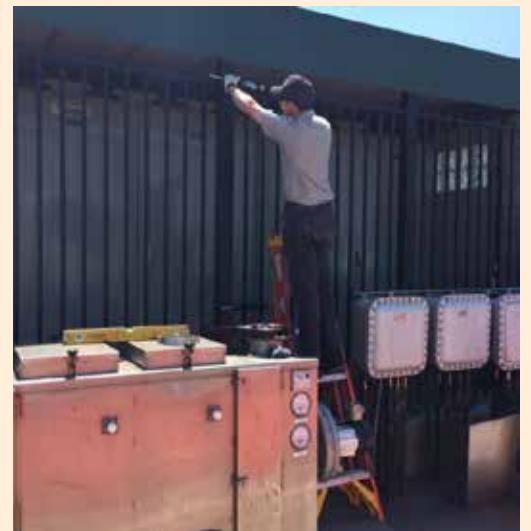
### Major Upgrade of Treatment Plant in Final Engineering

In order to ensure that the treatment plant meets increasingly strict quality requirements to protect the Bay, The District is in the final stages of design for an estimated \$21 million major treatment plant upgrade. The project will improve reliability, and help the plant to fully process all wastewater flows, even during heavy rains that can fill the sewers with storm water.

### Odor and Corrosion Control Benefits Community and Lowers Costs

#### Additional Treatment Plant Odor Control.

The wastewater treatment plant already has an extensive odor control system installed in 2008. The District is preparing to cover and treat remaining portions of the plant that can emit odors.



#### Expanding the Collection Pipeline System Odor Control.

Some odors can escape through manholes and are noticeable to the public. The same gasses are also corrosive to the wastewater pipeline and pumping system. To decrease odor and corrosion, we inject a mineral that inhibits the production of corrosive gasses and odors in sewer pipelines. We also installed odor scrubbers at sewer pump stations around the community to scrub and remove most remaining odor causing gasses.

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## Rate Increase Established in 2014 Went Into Effect July 1

Last year, the District approved a Five-Year Financial Plan that included rate increases. Because of effective financial planning, relatively small increases are needed each year to keep pace with all rising costs, including supplies, power, chemicals, labor, and to fund a ten-year, \$46 million wastewater system improvement program.

The increase for a single family home is to \$817 per year from \$770. Customers in unincorporated areas, including Marin-City, also pay a supplemental charge to fund pipeline collection system costs. It is increasing from \$61 last year to \$66 for 2015. Customers of the City of Sausalito pay their pipeline collection system charge to the City.

## Protect Your Home and the Bay: Dispose of Hazardous Waste and Old Medicine Properly

Old medications and other household hazardous waste like solvents, paint, and motor oil, should never go down the drain. They can harm treatment processes or pass through the treatment plant and contaminate the Bay.



### HAZARDOUS WASTE TO THE Marin Household Hazardous Waste Facility

565 Jacoby Street, San Rafael  
Tuesday-Saturday: 8 AM to 3:30 PM  
(415) 485-6806



### OLD MEDICATIONS TO THE DROP BOX at the Fire Department Lobby

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