

NORMA TORRES

Representing California's 35th district, visits



### **CONGRESSWOMAN NORMA TORRES VISITS WVWD**

ecently, Rep. Norma Torres of California's 35th congressional district joined West Valley Water District Board President Channing Hawkins and Director Greg Young in a tour of the water district's Bloomington Alleyway Pipeline (BAP) project. This upcoming infrastructure project will construct new water pipelines and install advanced water meters and hydrants to improve water service quality and reliability for the residents of Bloomington, who live in the heart of Rep. Torres' district. Ever more important in this era of frequent wildfires, the new fire hydrants and upgraded water line will ensure a robust fire safety response. Rep. Torres has been instrumental in working towards securing federal funding for the project by advocating for West Valley Water District



at the congressional level. Work on the BAP is ongoing and expected to be completed by June 30th, 2022.

very year during the third week of September, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) celebrates Pollution Prevention Week. Pollution Prevention Week commemorates the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990, which instituted a national policy to prevent pollution and reduce it wherever possible. Reducing pollution not only prevents further damage to the environment, but also avoids the need for expensive cleanup and advances environmental justice for underprivileged communities that receive the brunt of pollution. The seven different types of environmental pollution, including air, land, radioactive, thermal, light, sound, and water all have an outsize effect on personal health. WVWD strives to educate ratepayers and the public through robust community outreach to improve the safety and vitality of our shared environment. Water pollution, which threatens the health and safety of our oceans, freshwater ecosystems, livestock, plants, and even our own bodies, can have a devastating impact on the health of current and future generations. As an individual, you can prevent water

# **POLLUTION PREVENTION WEEK**

pollution by limiting the use of disposable plastic bottles, making sure any chemical cleaners or oils do not go down the drain, reducing runoff in yards and gardens, and purchasing environmentally certified consumer products that use sustainable industrial processes to prevent further pollution of our environment.





n the afternoon of Wednesday, August 25th, the South Fire erupted around Lytle Creek Road and Sierra Avenue near the

Interstate 15. The wildfire's epicenter was right in the middle of West Valley Water District's Zone 8 service area, in close proximity to the water district's core infrastructure for the area. Even as the blaze quickly burned within yards of the water district's facilities, staff remained on-site to coordinate with fire authorities and monitor and maintain the sites' critical water infrastructure to ensure service could continue uninterrupted for as long as possible. The service remained uninterrupted and the fire spared WVWD's buildings and staff, who remained on-site and even volunteered to successfully transport local animals out of harm's way. West Valley Water District extends its thanks and appreciation to all West Valley staff that helped in the fire, as well as all firefighters and

## **WVWD HELPS OUT DURING SOUTH FIRE**

emergency services personnel who worked to contain the blaze that has destroyed over a dozen buildings and required the evacuation of 1,000 residents.



### **CONSERVATION:**

It's easy to make a difference. Why not you?

\*Visit www.wvwd.org for detailed REBATE information!

IF YOU	YOU CAN SAVE
Turn off water while brushing teeth	2 GALLONS / a minute
Shorten your shower	2.5 GALLONS / a minute
Don't use the toilet as a wastebasket	1.6 GALLONS / per flush
Fix or replace a leaky toilet*	<b>30-50 GALLONS</b> / per day
Fix a leaky faucet	15-20 GALLONS / per day
Upgrade that old washing machine *	20-30 GALLONS / per load
Always water before 8:00 am	15-20 GALLONS / a minute
Reduce your irrigation cycle time by 1-3 minutes for each zone	15-20 GALLONS / a minute, per zone
Adjust sprinklers to prevent overspray	15-20 GALLONS / per day
Install a "smart irrigation controller"*	40 GALLONS / per day

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2021**







Nat'l. Grandparents Day



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**Board Meeting** 



1st Day of Autumn

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