

QUARTERLY CALENDAR

September - November 2019

CVSan Offices Closed

September 2nd, November 11th, November 28th, & November 29th

Organics, recycling, & garbage collection will be one day later on November 28th & 29th. Collection will be on schedule all other days.

Upcoming CVSan Board Meetings

September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND WEBSITES

Castro Valley Sanitary District (CVSan)

510-537-0757

(Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

510-506-5821

(sewer emergencies after hours)

www.cvsan.org

Alameda County Industries (ACI)

510-483-1400

www.alamedacountyindustries.com/CVSan

Household Hazardous Waste

800-606-6606

www.household-hazwaste.org

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CASTRO VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

General Manager's Message

CVSan continues to be recognized by industry leaders during its 80th anniversary year. Here are a few of this year's highlights:

- **California Water Environment Association (CWEA)** recognized CVSan as the best small sewer system in California.
- **California Association of Public Information Officials (CAPIO)** honored CVSan's Zero Waste character movie as the best long-form video created by a small/medium population agency in California.
- CVSan recently reached 13 years with no time lost due to a workplace accident.
- Castro Valley High School student Angelina Retodo won a scholarship from the **California Special Districts Association (CSDA)** for a video she created explaining CVSan's work.

Remember to mark your calendars for Saturday, September 7th and Sunday, September 8th 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.! CVSan will be celebrating our 80th Anniversary at the Castro Valley Fall Festival on Castro Valley Boulevard. There will be demonstrations, photo booths, games, prizes, and more. We hope to see you there!

Roland P. Williams, Jr.
General Manager



Architect Selection for Center Street Project

On April 5, 2019, Castro Valley Sanitary District released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for architectural services for CVSan's proposed Center Street Project. CVSan's staff has conducted interviews and will present a recommendation to the Board of Directors at the August 6th Board meeting. The selected architect will begin the design

process immediately, and CVSan anticipates that construction bidding will start in Summer 2020. The Center Street Project, located at 21195 Center Street in Castro Valley, will provide space for storage and equipment, vehicle maintenance, and offices. For more information on the progress of the Center Street Project, visit CVSan.org/CenterStreet.



Marshall Street Capacity Improvement Project

This summer, CVSan will perform sewer main repairs throughout Castro Valley as part of the Marshall Street Capacity Improvement/Repair & Rehabilitation Project. A large portion of the project will be located on Marshall Street between the Veronica Avenue and Greenacre Road intersections and along an easement into Vincent Court. Construction crews will upgrade approximately 2,125 feet of existing 10-inch vitrified clay pipe (VCP) to 12-inch high-density polyethylene (HDPE), helping the sewer main to accommodate peak wet weather flows. The project was awarded to Devaney Engineering, Inc., and is expected to begin by the middle of June.



Shelf-stable versus Refrigerated: What's the Difference?

Starting May 1st, ACI will collect shelf-stable cartons in recycling while refrigerated cartons will continue to be collected in organics. What's the difference? Shelf-stable cartons for products such as soy milk and soup are found on the shelves in grocery stores. Refrigerated cartons

for products such as milk, juice, cream, and egg substitutes are located in the refrigerated section. Both kinds of carton are primarily made from paper, with a thin layer of polyethylene (plastic), but shelf-stable cartons also contain a layer of aluminum.

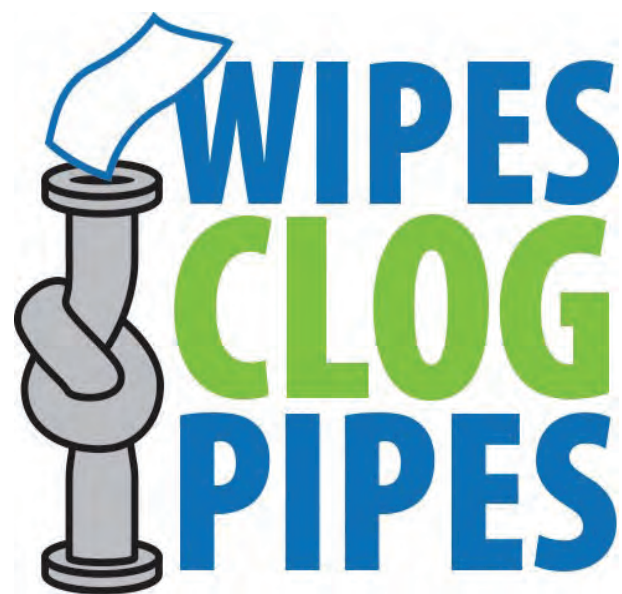


Wet Wipes Clog Pipes

Though single-use wet wipes are often marketed as "flushable," many are not compatible with wastewater collection systems because they do not break down after being flushed. "Flushable" wipes can become large obstructions in sewer mains when they catch on tree roots or combine with fats, oils, and

grease. Further down the line, they weave together and create giant rags which get stuck in pumps, causing backups and equipment failures.

Remember that only the 3Ps—pee, poop, and toilet paper—should be flushed down the toilet. Protect your property by disposing single-use wet wipes in your gray garbage cart.



Still Have WM Products?

CVSan's new contract with Alameda County Industries (ACI) began May 1, 2019. Any Waste Management Bag-Its, Extra Service Tags, and Paper Garden Bags purchased prior to May 1st will continue to be collected and processed by ACI. As of May 1st, Extra Service Tags and Paper Garden Bags are \$8.94 per tag or bag. Bag-Its are no longer available. Tags and bags can be purchased using cash only at CVSan offices (21040 Marshall St.) or using cash, debit, or credit at ACI offices (610 Aladdin Ave., San Leandro, CA). To have your tags or bags sent via mail, please call ACI at (510) 483-1400. Tags can be sent via mail at no additional cost, but bags sent via mail will have postage fees added. ACI will provide current postal rate.



Selling a Property? Add This to Your To-do List

Are you planning to sell your home? Have you checked the condition of your private sewer lateral? Effective July 1, 2019, CVSan's Ordinance No. 179 requires property owners to obtain a sewer lateral compliance certificate before selling any property within district boundaries. If the property does not have a valid compliance certificate, the property owner must perform a closed-circuit television (CCTV) inspection of the private sewer lateral.

A CCTV permit must be obtained from CVSan, and the inspection must be witnessed and reviewed by a CVSan inspector. For more information about Ordinance No. 179 or to check your property's compliance status, please visit CVSan.org/PSL.



A past recipient of a Lateral Replacement Grant holding his check.

Grants for Private Sewer Lateral Repairs

Castro Valley Sanitary District is pleased to announce the Lateral Replacement Grant Program (LRGP), scheduled to start at 7:30 a.m. on August 19, 2019. We are offering financial assistance to qualified applicants to replace your entire defective sewer lateral at 50% of the approved costs, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$2,000 per lateral. \$50,000 has been allocated to the program.

For program information, please contact CVSan at 21040 Marshall Street, call (510) 537-0757 ext. 109, or visit CVSan.org/Grants.

An Inside Look Under the Streets of Castro Valley

CVSan uses closed-circuit television (CCTV) to perform inspections of its sewer mains throughout Castro Valley. We video-inspect sewer mains every day, totaling around two miles of sewer mains every month! They show us which sewer mains have grease, plant roots, or wipes that need to be removed and help us decide which damaged pipes should be replaced first. By using CCTV, we are able to tackle problems proactively, preventing sewer overflows. Partly thanks to CCTV, there have been few overflows within CVSan's boundaries in the last few years.

