

CAC Corner



Make your voice heard about Castro Valley's wastewater and zero waste services by joining CVSan's Community Advisory Committee (CAC)! The CAC represents the community's interests by providing a voice directly to the Board of Directors (Board). The CAC serves as a body of independent thought to provide feedback on specific items to CVSan's staff and Board.

Serena Foxworthy has been on the CAC for more than 10 years and has lived in Castro Valley since 1959. She served as a Board member on various committees of the Castro Valley Eden Area Chamber of Commerce and is currently a Board member for the Castro Valley Arts Foundation.

She finds it a pleasure to be a part of a group of residents committed to helping CVSan and the community. She believes CVSan is an essential part of Castro Valley, and that it consists of a team dedicated to taking good care of the community. If you are interested in joining the CAC and making a difference in your community, please complete the CAC interest form at cvsan.org/CAC, and we will contact you when a CAC position is open.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2022 - July 2022

Upcoming CVSan Board Meetings

May 3rd, June 7th, July 5th

CVSan Textile Collection Week

June 6th through June 11th

CVSan Recycles Day Event

July 23rd (Go to cvsan.org/RecyclesDay to register)

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)

cvsan.org

Alameda County Industries (ACI)

(510) 483-1400

alamedacountyindustries.com/CVSan

Household Hazardous Waste

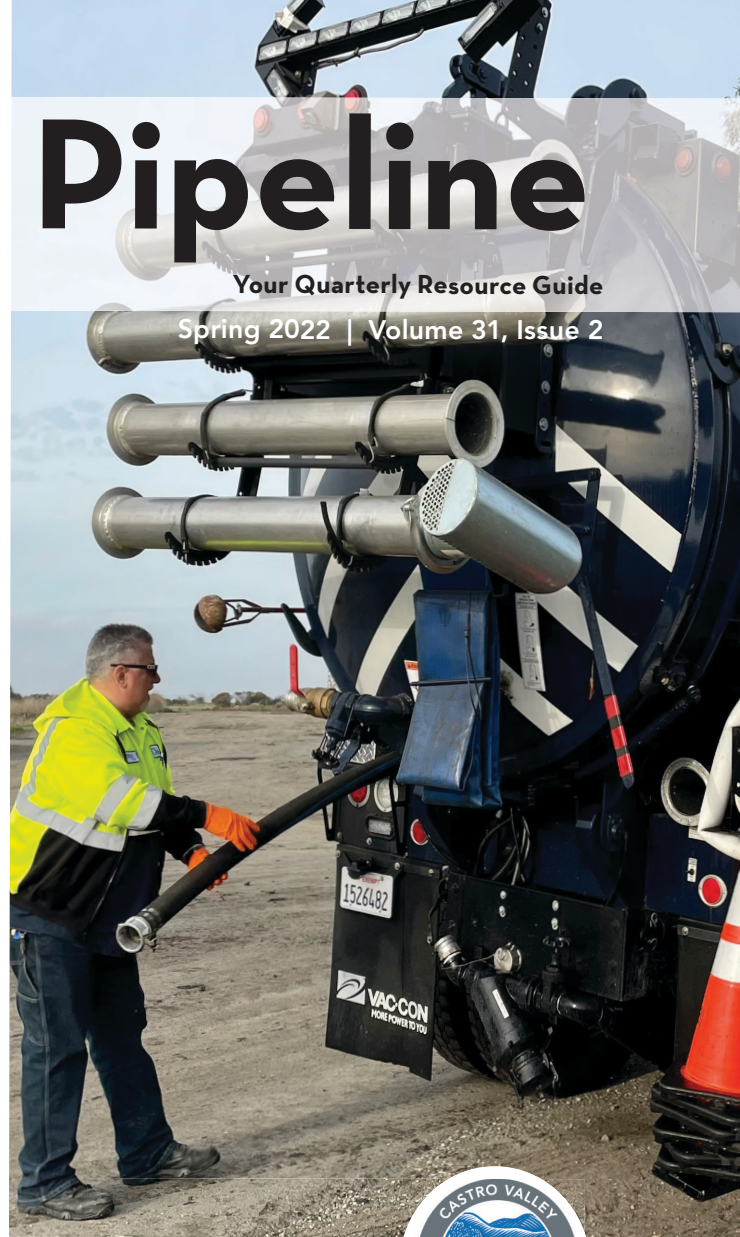
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CASTRO VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT

General Manager's Message

Two years ago this spring, the world entered into a new reality as the COVID-19 global pandemic unfolded into our lives and community. Throughout the ups and downs of the pandemic, CVSan has continued to provide the high-quality, low-cost wastewater services you have come to expect. Due to the diligent work of our Collection System Maintenance personnel, CVSan has had fewer sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) than the state average.

We have continued to improve our wastewater collection system, recently completing over \$2 million in infrastructure upgrades and repairs to keep our system functional. In this edition of the Pipeline, learn ways you can help out, get information on current infrastructure projects, and enjoy an update on our new Operations and Engineering building planned to break ground this fall.

Wishing you all a wonderful and safe spring,

Roland P. Williams, Jr.
General Manager



New Building Project Update



CVSsan staff is excited to move forward with the Operations and Engineering Building Project (O&E Project), located on the corner of Castro Valley Boulevard and Center Street, and is busy working on getting the project closer to the initial phase of construction later this year. Currently, CVSan's

design architectural firm, Dahlin Group, has been hard at work with the construction document preparation. Once work is complete on preparing the construction documents, CVSan will release them out to bid this summer. The O&E Project is expected to be completed in late 2023.

Stay Connected and Win!

Follow us on social media to stay up to date on CVSan events, programs, and promotions. Throughout 2022 we will be giving away free solid waste services for a year to a randomly selected person who follows CVSan on one or more of the following social media platforms: Twitter @CVSan, Facebook @CVSan, and Instagram @CVSanofficial. The

maximum number of entries allowed for this contest is three, one per CVSan social media account, and one per individual social media account. Winner must have an Alameda County Industries (ACI) household or business service address within the CVSan service area. Get complete contest rules and details at cvsan.org/Contest.





Easement Access



Have you noticed a manhole on your property? Having a manhole means that there is likely an easement within your property, and CVSan staff may occasionally need to access it to perform necessary sewer line maintenance. To protect your property and our staff, make sure to keep the area around any manholes clear of debris or obstacles that may prevent access.

If you experience any issues with a manhole in an easement, please call (510) 537-0757 to notify our staff. To learn more about easements visit cvsan.org/Easements.

Say No to Wipes!



Single-use wet wipes have gained popularity in recent years. Many of these products are marketed as flushable, but often do not break down after being flushed. Wipes can catch on tree roots and accumulate fats, oils and grease, creating large obstructions in the pipes. Further

down the sewer line, flushed wipes can weave together and create giant rags which get stuck in pumps, collection systems, and motors. This causes backups and equipment failures. We can all take simple actions to ensure that Castro Valley's sewer system stays functional. Please say No to Flushing Wipes!

New Vehicle Signs

Have you noticed the snazzy signs on Alameda County Industries (ACI) vehicles? Those signs are designed by CVSan and provide simple messages that encourage a

zero waste lifestyle. New signs are rotated onto the ACI vehicles throughout the year, so the next time you see an ACI vehicle in your neighborhood, make sure to check out the latest message!

Sewer Repair Project

As part of CVSan's ongoing effort to improve the Castro Valley wastewater collection system, the upcoming Gravity Sewer Repair Project (project) will focus on repairing and rehabilitating aging sewer infrastructure throughout Castro Valley. The project will aim to address the most critical line sections identified in CVSan's Gravity Sewer Asset Management Plan (GSAMP), and defects identified by CVSan's Collection System Maintenance Department.

For more information regarding ongoing and upcoming projects, visit cvsan.org/Projects.



Bagged Recyclables Contaminate

When placing your recycling in the blue recycling cart or bin, please make sure to leave the recyclables loose. Any bagged and tied recycling, except for clean plastic film, wrap, and bags for our bag-a-bag program, will be pulled from the recycling and thrown away in the garbage as landfill. The reason for this is because the recycling sorting process is fast-paced and the people and machines sorting cannot rip open tied bags. Thank you for helping with this so we all can reduce waste!



Neighborhood Meetings



Castro Valley Sanitary District (CVSan) invites you to attend an upcoming virtual Neighborhood Meeting about the new Operations and Engineering Building Project that will be located at 21195 Center Street. Meetings that are currently scheduled are listed below and subject to change.

- Tuesday, May 10th via Zoom @ 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 21st via Zoom @ 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 12th via Zoom @ 6:00 p.m.

CVSan staff will provide updates on the project and be available to answer any questions. For upcoming meeting links and information, please email michael@cvsan.org or call (510) 537-0757 ext. 124. If you cannot attend a meeting, you can view the meeting archives at cvsan.org/CenterStreet.

Private Sewer Lateral Program



Are you planning to sell your home this spring or summer? Have you checked the condition of your private sewer lateral (PSL)? When a property is sold, the PSL is required to be in compliance with CVSan's standards. A closed-circuit television (CCTV) permit must be

obtained from CVSan, and the inspection must be witnessed by a CVSan inspector. By meeting compliance, CVSan and the new homeowner can ensure that the PSL is free of any cracks, roots, and other defects. You can obtain information on the PSL Program on our webpage at cvsan.org/PSL.