



A Monthly Newsletter

November 2025

Serving the Community

“Your Independent Local Government Agency Providing Water, Wastewater, Drainage, Security and Solid Waste Services”

District Meeting Schedule For November 2025

All Meetings in Person

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

***Tuesday November 4th
8:00 a.m. – Improvements***

***Thursday November 6th
9 a.m. Communications & Technology***

***Thursday November 13th
9:00 a.m. Personnel Committee
10:00 a.m. Finance Committee***

***BOARD MEETING
Wednesday November 11th
8:00 a.m. Special Board Meeting –Security***

***Wednesday November 19th
5:00 p.m.***

The public is invited to attend.

All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

Check our website, www.rmcsd.com for any changes.

MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

November 2025

Dear Rancho Murieta Residents:

Let me start my by saying thank you to the Board for the faith they have placed in me to lead the District. I am fortunate to have a strong team of trusted coworkers who the District can count on to perform the tasks necessary to provide Water, Sewer, Drainage, Security and Solid Waste services to our ratepayers. I feel as if my tenure with the District as District Secretary/Clerk of the Board has placed me in a position of knowledge of the inner workings of the District, and I am ready for the challenges that lie ahead.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

While staff have been busy clearing storm drains, updating SCADA, and continuing work on the Audit, I find my time mostly dedicated to increasing my knowledge of the history of Development, and where we are with our current Developers.

I am pleased to report that Security Staff have relocated into the main admin building. Not only does this give us the opportunity to work more closely with them, it gives us the ability to find the best sources for removal of the dilapidated Safety Center. We are working on getting quotes for that service as well as options for replacement of that building. Hopefully, the FY2022-23, FY2023-24 and FY2024-25 audits will be completed by the next budget cycle, and we will know if there are funds in the budget to replace the building.

The District office will serve as a voting location for this year’s Special Election on November 4. There will be no in-person voting for this special election. We will only have a ballot drop box for this election.

We are moving forward with current CIP projects.

Ed McMurray passed his Wastewater grade II Exam, and Cory passed his Wastewater grade III exam! Congratulations!

Amelia Wilder
Interim General Manager

THE GOOD NEWS

- Please Congratulate Corey Xavier for his 15th Anniversary at RMCSd!
- Congratulations to Robert Stoffel for receiving a position in the Utilities Department as Utility Worker I.
- Please help us welcome Drake Davis to our Security Department as a patrol officer; and Phillip Davis and Jackson White have joined the Utilities Department as Utility Workers I.
- We are moving forward with landscaping the front of the CSD Office!
- We are excited to announce our Security Officers have been relocated to the Main Office. We are researching options for a replacement Safety Center!

OCTOBER 3, 2025 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Ad Hoc Committee formed for Administrative Oversight with goals and task clearly defined; the Committee will bring Action Items to the Board
- Amelia Wilder appointed Interim General Manager
- The New Organizational Chart has been temporarily approved

OCTOBER 15, 2025 REGULAR BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Approved Certificate of Appreciation to Honor Cory Xavier 15 years of service to RMCSO
- Approved expenditure of \$83,263.08 for Smart Meter
- Approved expenditure of \$39,409.00 to repair Admin Building Lift Station
- Adopted Ordinance O2025-03 updating Chapter 4 Purchasing and Bidding—SB 1383 Compliance
- Approved expenditure of \$28,779.84 Van Vleck Pipe Repair
- Approved expenditure of \$7,944.00 to purchase Security Patrol Body Cameras
- Discussed Conflicts and Biases
- Discussed Residences Development and Approved the formation of the Water Vision Project
- Approved expenditure of \$49,434.00 for the Water Treatment Plant Control Valve
- Tabled approval to Replace Equestrian Center Storm Drain for further discussion
- Tabled the approval to purchase Surveillance Hardware and System Updates until further notice
- Discussed Projects listed on FY25-26 CIP List
- Defined Parameters of Ad Hoc Committees

OCTOBER 2025 COMMITTEE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Improvements Committee

- Received Utility Update
- Received Update SCADA Server Replacement Project
- Discussed turning Plant #2 to a Pre-Treatment Plant and will receive proposal for November's Improvement Meeting

Communications & Technology Committee

- Received update on Website and Social Media
- Discussed Pipeline, "the Good News"
- Discussed living in harmony
- Received update on landscaping at Admin Building

Finance Committee

- Received Finance Report
- Discussed Audits
- Reviewed FY2023-26 CSD and CFD 2014-1 Final Audits
- Update on HR to Go

Security Committee

- Received Security Report
- Reviewed Security Operations—Observe and Report

Special Personnel Committee

- No Action taken—Meeting cancelled

EXPECTING GUESTS BEHIND THE GATES THIS HOLIDAY?

Be sure to call in your guests! It is important that you notify the District Security Gate Officers if you expect service personnel or guests at your home in order to avoid delays and traffic congestion. North Gate: 916-354-3742. South Gate: 916-354-3743. You can register guests yourself at www.gateaccess.net. Using www.gateaccess.net you can then send your guests the electronic Fastpass that will get your guests through the gate even faster. The Fastpass is only available at the North Gate.

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BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
*Friday
Closed*

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KEEP HOLIDAY F.O.G. OUT OF YOUR KITCHEN SINK

Turkey Day is just around the corner and Rancho Murieta Community Services District encourages you to keep your sink **fat-free** this holiday season.

Throughout the year, especially during the holidays, people pour the by-products of cooking down the sink drain. Fats, oils and grease (F.O.G.) can coat and clog pipes which can cause sewer lines to back up into homes. That could mean costly clean-up and repair costs.

F.O.G. can also cause blockages further down sewer lines. And that can result in overflows or sewage back-ups into yards or streets, creating a public health risk. Oil making its way to wastewater treatment plants can disrupt the treatment process and increase the need for maintenance.

To prevent these problems, the District encourages you to dispose of your leftover F.O.G. properly. Here are some suggestions that many of your neighbors may already be following:

- Do not put fats, oil, grease or greasy food down the garbage disposal.
- Place small amounts of fat, oil, and grease in a brown paper bag and dispose of it in your organic waste container.
- Turkey fryers leave a large amount of oil. Rancho Murieta residents can call Cal-Waste Customer Service (916-354-4154) to request a 1-gallon container for disposal of used cooking oil, and separately, used motor oil. Cooking oil and motor oil cannot be collected in the same container. (In the instance that a resident would like a container for both cooking oil and motor oil, they would receive two containers.) The container will be dropped off on the day of waste collection. Residents can then fill the container at their leisure and set at the curb when the container is full on their next collection day. If you are soaking a greasy pan, first pour off grease into a container. Then place paper towels over the drain basket to catch grease and food as you pour the soaking water down the drain.



The District Administration Office will be closed

November 27 & 28, 2025

FILLING THE RESERVOIRS

The Cosumnes River is the source of water for the Community. The District diverts water into all three storage reservoirs (Calero, Chesbro, Clementia) for the Water Treatment Plants to process into drinking water for community use.

Diversion from the river starts no sooner than November 1st, if flow levels are high enough. Typically river flow from the first storms is allowed to pass by, flushing out the river system of sediment and possible contaminants washed in from roadways and agricultural areas. Our goal is to pump the cleanest water possible while being able to fill our reservoirs to maximum capacity each year. We can pump until May 30th.

For more detail go to our website here:

<https://www.ranchomurietacsd.com/water-system-overview>

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY YARD WORK MADE EASY WITH PAPER BAGS

As part of our continued partnership with the Community of Rancho Murieta, Cal-Waste wants to share some information regarding solid waste with your community.

Extra Leaf Collection Begins 11/1/2025. Place extra leaves in paper bags by the curb on your service day.

Paper bags for yard work are an environmentally friendly and popular choice for collecting leaves, grass clippings, and other garden debris. Made from heavy-duty paper, these bags are

Both biodegradable and compostable, providing an excellent alternative to plastic bags. Durability is a key feature of these paper bags. Designed to withstand moisture and tearing, they are perfect for handling wet or damp yard waste. Available in various sizes, the common 30-gallon bag is ideal for typical yard work, but other sizes are also available to meet your needs.

At Cal-Waste, we put these paper bags to the test at our facility during several rainstorms last winter. The results were impressive—they remained sturdy and reliable even in wet conditions.



Photos taken January 25th, 2024, after three weeks of winter weather.

During the month of January 2024, the Cal-Waste Team tested paper Leaf & Lawn bags purchased from a home improvement store for their durability. On January 4th, three of these bags were filled with lawn and garden clippings and placed at the north end of the facility in Galt, CA. For the next three weeks, the bags endured over two inches of rain, temperatures from the mid-30s to mid-60s. Through this testing of endurance, the bags maintained integrity and withstood the moisture, exposure to the sun, and variance in temperatures. When examining the bags during the week of February 1st, practically a month later, the bags showed that they had deteriorated to the point where the fiber broke down. That's practically four calendar weeks of exposure to the elements.

To get the most out of your paper bags, avoid overfilling them and store them in a dry place to prevent them from getting wet before use. These convenient and environmentally friendly bags are widely available at home improvement stores, garden centers, and online, often sold in packs. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to call our customer service team at 209-369-6887.

Extra Green Waste Pickup is available November, December, January and February!

You can at no additional cost place the leaves in a plastic bag which is securely fastened and place it alongside your green container on your regular pickup day during the months of November, December, January and February!

HOW TO CONTACT THE DISTRICT

Visit us on the web at www.rmcsd.com!

- *The District's Administration Office is located at: 15160 Jackson Road, Rancho Murieta
- *Our mailing address is: P.O. Box 1050, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683; Main Office: 916-354-3700
- *South Gate: 916-354-3743 ***Contact the South Gate for after-hours water problems.***