



**Town of Discovery Bay  
A California Community Services District  
"Friday Letter"  
To the Board of Directors  
October 30, 2015**

From: Rick Howard, General Manager

**General Manager/Administration:**

- ✓ Happy Halloween! This afternoon we hosted our annual staff Halloween Cook-Off at the Community Center. There were 6 teams of 4 (Veolia also participates) and each team is judged based upon their table set up's and the quality of their food and the use of a secret ingredient. Needless to say, nobody returned to work hungry! Congratulations to the winning team of Sue, Aaron, Willow and Marcos!



- ✓ This Sunday marks the end of Daylight Savings Time. Remember to turn those clocks back one hour before heading to bed on Halloween night! Enjoy that extra hour of sleep zzzzzzz....
- ✓ Last Friday night we tried something a little different and showed a Halloween movie under the stars at the Community Center - *Hotel Transylvania*! Almost 100 people stopped on by for the movie. We'll also be showing a Thanksgiving and Christmas movie under the stars as well.
- ✓ Staff and Bartle Wells had a good meeting on Wednesday afternoon and wrapped up the Community Center Five-Year Forecast. That will be coming before the board on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Spoiler Alert* – Revenues exceed projections by over \$30,000 and expenditures came in under by about \$35,000.
- ✓ PG&E continues to deliver between 15-20 trucks of water daily to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This is expected to continue for a few more weeks.
- ✓ Wastewater Treatment Plant #1 is in shutdown mode effective today. Flows don't currently necessitate the plant operating when all of the treatment processes can take place at Plant #2. Besides saving money on utility costs, Veolia will have an opportunity to assess the condition of Oxidation ditch #1 and Clarifier's # 1 & 2 and make repairs as necessary.
- ✓ I am meeting Monday with representatives of the County Public Work's staff, along with Reclamation District 800 staff to discuss the storm drain issues, as well as make certain that the county is reminded that they are responsible for storm drain maintenance. With an El Nino forecast for this winter, it is imperative that storm drainage systems flow as designed in order to accommodate a higher the anticipated volume of water.
- ✓ This coming Tuesday I will be hosting a meeting with the local HOA's to help them get emergency preparedness information to their residents, as well as to protect their assets. The meeting is taking place at the Community Center at 3:00 p.m. After the meeting, I will post all the information to the website and get the word out on social media as well.

### **Important Dates:**

Upcoming important dates are as follows:

- Halloween – Saturday October 31, all day. Ghosts and Goblins rule the night!
- Time changes Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 am. Roll those clocks back one hour!
- CSD Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m.
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