



Las Campanas Water Cooperative

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Update from the Las Campanas Water Cooperative Board February 8, 2022

Dear Members,

Now that the distractions of litigation and the recall election are behind us, we are pleased to report that the Board can turn its full attention to moving forward. This year is off to a productive start with the Board and staff focusing on the following action items and program updates:

- We are in the process of recruiting a new General Manager (GM) for the Co-op. In the interim, the GM responsibilities are being shared by Steven Miller and Stephen Raab,
- We are in the process of completing the Co-op's goals & objectives for 2022 which will cover both the overall organization and individual staff,
- Stan Weiner joined the Board as our fifth member following the resignation of a former Board member for personal reasons. Stan is a retired partner from a major international law firm, and brings significant legal experience to the Board,
- We are expanding the Board from the current five members to seven and the new Board members will join us by mid-March. Ballots and candidate self-nomination forms will go out to the community within about a week's time,
- All Committees are moving forward which includes Finance, Operations, Governance & Legal, and Sustainability,
- We are refining the budget for 2022 which places a strong emphasis on controlling cost while allowing the Co-op to continue to provide the Members with excellent service,
- After a comprehensive search, we have retained the firm of Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC (CRI) to support the Co-op's accounting and financial activities. CRI is onboard and providing professional, cost-effective support in these areas.

As some of you may know, the Club Casitas experienced an interruption in water services because of a break in a 10" line on the evening of January 27th. The line break occurred afterhours during a snowstorm. Our staff and Jacobs Engineering quickly mobilized to repair the break, following all the State's requirements applicable to drinking water standards. Our thanks to our staff, Bryan Romero and Erykah Vigil, and Jacobs Engineering for facilitating the repair in very difficult weather.



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Even though the recall election results rejected Mr. Kirk's efforts to remove the Board under the misnomer of the "Committee to Save the Water Co-op," to the chagrin of many Members he continues his attempts to distract us and interfere with our operations. We regret that he does this and know that many of you have expressed concern that he continues to communicate with you, apparently using the Co-op's mailing list (or that of the HOA or Club), without permission. We respect our Members' privacy, and hope that Mr. Kirk ultimately does the same.

Now that the Water Co-op has returned to routine operations, the Members may still have ongoing concerns or questions after a turbulent end to 2021. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have. Our emails are provided below.

Regards,

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