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## **FIND OUT ABOUT HOW OUR BOARD ELECTIONS ARE CHANGING**

On May 13, 2020, the District's Board of Directors, who represent San Juan Water District Wholesale agencies, adopted a resolution declaring its intent to initiate procedures to transition from at-large elections to division-based elections. San Juan will implement a division-based election system beginning with the November 2022 election.

The Board of Directors has directed staff to work with a demographer and other consultants as needed, to analyze the District's current demographics and any other information or data necessary.

They will prepare one or more draft maps that divide the District into proposed voting divisions in a manner consistent with the California and federal Voting Rights Acts requirements.

We encourage interested parties to participate in the electoral division maps process by attending the public hearings and submitting oral or written comments regarding the maps of the proposed voting divisions. Please visit sjwd.org/transitioning-todivision-based-elections to see the meeting schedule and whether each hearing will be held online or in person.

TASK	DATE/TIMELINE	NOTES
Board meeting/ Public Hearing #1 - Introduce Public Engagement Process	June 10, 2020	Before draft map(s) are released; second hearing to be held within 30 days.
Board meeting/ Public Hearing #2 – Second hearing for input from the Board and members of the public, prior to drafting maps	July 8, 2020	Must be held within 30 days of Hearing #1.
Board meeting/ Public Hearing #3 - Board and public input on draft map(s) of proposed divisions	Sept. 9, 2020	First draft of map(s) shall be published 7 days before Hearing #3.
Board meeting/ Public Hearing #4 - Map approval and introduction of ordinance	Oct. 14, 2020	Must be held within 45 days of Hearing #3.
Board regular meeting – Second reading of ordinance and enactment of ordinance and final division map, which will be filed with Registrar of Voters	Nov. 9, 2020	Draft ordinance must be introduced 5 days before second reading and adoption.



## **OUR FINANCIAL AUDIT**

San Juan is committed to open and transparent information about our finances, district operations and governance and providing detailed, easy-to-understand information to our customers. We have retained a third party to perform a financial audit for this fiscal year. Our past audits are available at sjwd.org/finance-audits.

## **2019 WATER QUALITY** REPORT **NOW AVAILABLE**

Our annual water quality report is out! This report outlines where



This year's report concludes that your drinking water meets all federal and state drinking water standards. We continuously monitor and test your water to ensure its safety and quality. Go to sjwd.org/consumer-confidencereports-water-quality-reports to read the report.

# **HOW SMART IS YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM?**



July is Smart Irrigation Month and it is a great time to improve your outdoor irrigation system or install a water-efficient automatic irrigation timer. There are many "smart" technologies available today that allow you to maintain beautiful landscapes while maximizing water efficiency. Visit sjwd.org for smart irrigation timer rebate information. You can use water wisely all summer long with these water efficiency tips:



#### Water at the best time.

If you do not have a "smart" timer that automatically adjusts to weather conditions, water early in the morning or after sunset. Significant water is lost due to evaporation if you water during the hottest part of the day.



# Evaluate your sprinkler or drip irrigation system.

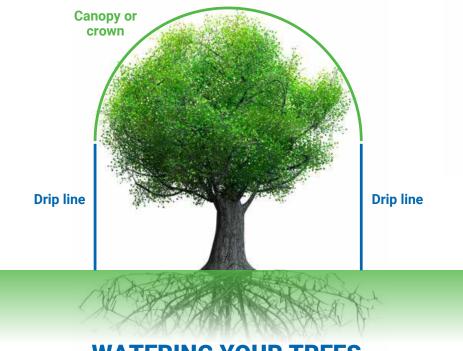
Conduct a system audit to detect leaks, broken equipment and over watering/runoff, which wastes water and can damage your landscape.



# Consider a smart irrigation controller.

Smart irrigation controllers use local weather conditions and a plant's needs to water according to weather conditions.

Learn more about outdoor water use efficiency at sjwd.org/water-efficiency.



## **WATERING YOUR TREES**

During the hot summer months, trees need special care. It is important to water trees of all ages with the right amount at the right time of day to ensure your trees live a long and healthy life.

Younger trees need easier access to water since their roots are less established than more mature trees. Young trees should be watered twice a week, using about five gallons of water each time.

Mature trees require more water when they are near driveways or house foundations. These can be heat traps, causing trees growing nearby to need more water than if they were located in landscape area. Water mature trees in the tree's drip line if they are near a heat trap. The drip line is the area directly beneath the foliage that is shaded by the tree. A good rule of thumb is to water mature trees once a week.

Watering your trees in the early morning of after sunset are the best times for trees to recover the water they have lost from evaporation during the hot day. You can add mulch to help reduce water evaporation and lower soil temperatures. Visit **BeWaterSmart.info/how-to-water-your-mature-trees** for more tips to keep your trees healthy and thriving year round.



#### CHECK OUT OUR NEW VIDEOS!

San Juan Water District is both a retail and a wholesale agency and operates both functions under the same roof. The wholesale agency treats the high-quality water that the retail agency then purchases. If you want to know more about where your water comes from, we have developed three new videos that outline how your water gets to you. Check them out on our YouTube channel: San Juan Water District Granite Bay.

# TIME TO FOCUS ON WATER QUALITY

The Environmental Protection
Agency designated August as
National Water Quality Month.
With a finite amount of clean drinking
water, it is important to recognize how daily
activities can impact our water quality.

National Water Quality Month focuses on our water resources and reminds us how our actions affect our waterways. The Clean Water Act and the Safe Drinking Water Act help safeguard the availability of clean drinking water. Read about how to get involved at **epa.gov**.

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