October 7, 2013

Contractors:

The District has been working since 2011 to update the language of its Uniform Water Supply Agreement (contract) to better achieve the needs of the District, as well as our customers. Primary objectives for the update included: 1) satisfying California Department of Public Health criteria for “reliability”; 2) clarification of the “use it or lose it” language; and 3) updating the metering criteria.

After receiving public comment on our initial attempt at updating the existing contract in 2011, the Board of Trustees decided that broader changes in contract structure and language were needed. Since that time, the District worked directly with key stakeholders to ensure that the new language would achieve our goals while maintaining core tenets of the original contract such as the protection of agriculture. We are proud that the new language has achieved the written support of both California Department of Public Health and the Mendocino County Farm Bureau.

The District has scheduled a public workshop on November 6th, 2013 to present the new contract and solicit public comment. The workshop will be in the main conference room at the Alex Rorabaugh Center, 1640 S State St, Ukiah, CA 95482 from 6 to 8 pm.

A copy of the new contract has been posted at the District’s website (rrfc.net) under the “Board Meetings” tab. The District strongly encourages public participation. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

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