

**ROUND HILL GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NEWSLETTER
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HOT WATER HEATERS

Most Hot water heaters have a metal rod inside them made from zinc or some other soft metal. These rods are known as sacrificial anodes. These sacrificial anodes are designed to corrode inside your hot water heater, thereby preventing corrosion damage to the remainder of your hot water heater. As these rods corrode, you might find a flaking substance inside your aerators or in other locations within your home coming from the hot water system. If this occurs, as an alternative to replacing your entire hot water heater, you can change out the anode yourself or engage the services of a plumber to replace the rod for you.

NEW 500,000 GALLON STORAGE TANK

The District has contracted with Lumos & Associates for the design of a new 500,000 gallon steel water storage tank to be located at the District's office site at 343 Ute Way. We are in the process of acquiring a low interest loan from the State of Nevada to help finance the construction of the new tank. In the coming months, the District will conduct a series of public hearings as part of the process of securing that loan and securing necessary permits for the construction of the tank. Residents will be notified of those hearings. Please let us know if you have any questions as we progress toward improving your water storage capacity.

RATES

The RHGID Board of Trustees is committed to keeping any future water and sewer rate increases to a minimum. Water rates were last increased in 2001, and increasing costs are driving the need for potential rate increases. Upcoming Trustees' meetings' agendas will include discussions of possible future rate increases. Farr West Engineering has nearly completed their rate structure analysis. The incorporation of the recently completed capital improvement plan into the rate structure analysis has allowed us to prepare a presentation of a draft concept of where we may need to go with rates in the immediate and long-term future. There are several items that the Board will see in future meetings, and may need to develop policies to address:

- Potential short term rate adjustments
- Reserve accounts / amounts
- Reserve use / SRF loan use for new tank
- Potential long-term rate adjustments
 - Water
 - Sewer
- Potential new revenue source for road construction / general fund

PINE NEEDLE PICK UP

At its meeting in February, the Board of Trustees agreed to continue funding a pine needle pick up in Round Hill this year and in future years. Please watch upcoming Newsletters for additional information on exact schedules for this year's pine needle pick up.