



LEAPS APPLICATION ACCEPTED; PROTESTS DUE



FERC denies request to move ahead with environmental analysis

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), in response to a request the Nevada Hydro Company, Inc. (NHC), submitted in June, has accepted the application for the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pump Storage (LEAPS), project.

FERC made the announcement July 26 and set a 60-day period for the public to submit protests and for interested parties/agencies to solicit motions to intervene. The deadline for protests and motions is **Sept. 24**. Filing a protest now gives citizens and groups the ability to challenge FERC's final decision on the project in court.

In making its request to FERC for expedited acceptance of its license application, NHC said it was on target to meet the deadlines that had been set for a few lingering study areas. NHC also asked FERC to move forward with its environmental analysis without seeking additional public comments. **(See related story next page.)**

NHC told FERC all interested parties have had 15 months to comment which many have done. NHC noted that none of the comments nor any information disclosed in each of the approved study areas have introduced new issues that were not covered in the 2007 Environmental Impact Statement associated with NHC's first application.

In announcing the acceptance of the application, FERC wrote, "This application has been accepted for filing, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time." No mention was made of not requiring scoping meetings for public comments during the environmental analysis.

A YEAR AGO: Residents fear the 500-kV power lines that would cross Temescal Valley, if downed, would ignite wildfires and hinder aerial firefighting efforts as witnessed during the Holy Fire a year ago. **Photos by ROB MUCHA**

HOW TO SUBMIT A PROTEST

Protests can be submitted to FERC via its eComment page on the website:

<https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>

Follow the directions on the page. It's best to prewrite your comments in a Word doc and then copy and paste into the eComment template. Begin your comments with:

**"PROTEST" (in all caps)
NEVADA HYDRO COMPANY, INC. PROJECT NO. 14227-003
Objections to acceptance of the Final License Application
for the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pumped Storage Project
Your name, address and phone number**

And then list your reasons for protesting

Comments also can be snail-mailed to:
**The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20426**

DEADLINE IS SEPT. 24

Accepting the final application does not mean that FERC approved the project. There's still a long way to go, maybe 18 to 24 months.



Water district's public hearing will look at rate increases

The Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD), Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on **Thursday, Aug. 22** to consider a proposed two-year schedule of rate increases beginning Sept. 1, 2019 and July 1, 2020.

The hearing will be preceded at 4 and 6 p.m. by presentations about the rate increases.

Residents living in the Temescal Valley communities of **Horsethief Canyon Ranch, Butterfield Estates** and **California Meadows** receive their water from EVMWD.

According to the district's website, customers can protest the increase at the public hearing or by mailing or delivering a formal protest to the district office, **31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore, 92531**. Protests, which can't be sent electronically, must be received before the end of the hearing.

All written protests must specify the rate or charge being protested and include the name, parcel number and/or service address, and signature of the customer.

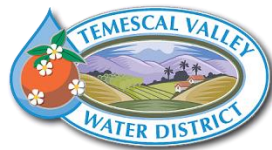
At the hearing, the board will consider all written protests and public comments, and if it appears a majority of customers within the district have submitted written protests, the increases will not be imposed.

Learn more about the increases:

<http://www.evmwd.com/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?BlobID=36869>

Ballots mailed for Temescal Valley Water District board election

Approximately 7,000 vote-by-mail ballots have been sent to voters for the **Temescal Valley Water District (TVWD)**, mail ballot election on **Aug. 27**. There will be no polling places.



This is the first time in many years that a TVWD election has been contested. The four-year terms of office on the five-person board are staggered. If the expiring terms of office are not contested, the district foregoes the cost of an election and the incumbents are declared "re-elected." In cases where a board vacancy arises, current directors will appoint a new director to fill the unexpired term.

Incumbents **Charles W. Colladay**, a retired citrus grower, and **John Butler**, a **Trilogy** resident, are being challenged by **Jerry Sincich**, a resident of **Sycamore Creek**.

Ballots must be received by the Registrar of Voters office no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day, or be postmarked on or before Aug. 27 and received no later than three days after Election Day.

City asks FERC to correct deficiencies in water-quality study

While the Nevada Hydro Company thought it had submitted in January its final Lake Elsinore water-quality study requested by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the city wasn't quite as sure.

The city of Lake Elsinore hired Stillwater Sciences, a water-quality consultant, to provide a peer review on the effect the LEAPS project would have on the water in the lake.

The consulting company found several deficiencies in NHC's water-quality studies and concluded, "... the report does not provide a clear water quality assessment of LEAPS operations over the long-term."

On Aug. 2, the city sent the full peer review to FERC asking the agency to require NHC to correct the deficiencies found in its water-quality study. To learn more:

<http://www.lake-elsinore.org/Home/Components/News/News/2422/26>

LEAPS APPLICATION ...

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Temescal Valley resident's primary concern about the LEAPS project are the 500-kV transmission lines. The lines would run northeast from a starting point above Lake Elsinore in the Santa Ana mountains then head east, running between **Sycamore Creek** and **Glen Eden**, and crossing De Palma Road and the I-15 just south of the Sycamore Creek shopping center to connect to Edison's Valley-Serrano lines that run across the Temescal Mountains above **Lee Lake**.

Since the **Holy Fire**, many residents worry about wildfires started by downed transmission lines and how they impede the ability of firefighters to use planes and helicopters to make chemical and water drops. Additionally, the LEAPS lines would be next to Lee Lake that was used as a water source for helicopters during the Holy Fire.

Lawsuit delays construction on Toscana Village shopping center

A lawsuit has stopped progress on construction of the **Toscana Village at Temescal Valley** shopping center to be constructed at the northwest corner of **Indian Truck Trail** and **Temescal Canyon Road**.

An anonymous group calling itself **Partners of Temescal Canyon** filed the lawsuit May 20 against **Riverside County** with **Speedway Development, LLC** being named as Real Party in Interest.

The lawsuit alleges that the county's environmental impact report and traffic impact analysis were flawed for the 27-acre project that is to be built in two phases. When completed, the center would have a gas station, restaurants, supermarket, and 194,000 square feet of office and retail space. There would be 15 buildings and 1,138 parking spaces.

Scheduled to be heard Aug. 1, the status hearing for the writ of mandate was continued to **Jan. 28, 2020**.



STUCK TRUCK: Workers assist in removing a truck from the residential area of Dawson Canyon Road. The truck driver thought he was headed to the landfill.

Dawson Canyon street addresses on agenda for COC meeting

The El Sobrante Landfill Citizen’s Oversight Committee (COC), will meet at 10 a.m., **Monday, Aug. 12**, at the Temescal Valley Water District, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.

Among the items on the agenda will be a discussion of the **Dawson Canyon Road** addresses and how they are assigned. There appears to be conflict again between the residential area in Dawson Canyon and the address of the landfill and new maintenance facility on the landfill property.

Although the problematic situation of parallel Dawson Canyon Roads still exists, it was decided that the numbers would not overlap in sequence between the two – the road that goes up to the landfill and the road that goes into residential Dawson Canyon. This has not been adhered to.

Recently, two semis got stuck on the narrow, unpaved Dawson Canyon Road in the residential area while looking for the landfill.

Also on the agenda is the election of officers and the review of the **Draft 2018 El Sobrante Annual Report**.

The landfill is required to prepare an annual monitoring report that also includes a status report on mitigation monitoring and a conditions of approval compliance report. Think of it as a report card – things we’ve done well, improvements made and issues that need improvement.

The report is initially reviewed by the three-member **Administrative Review Committee (ARC)**, comprised of county representatives. After review and recommendations, the report then goes to the COC, for additional review.

The COC is comprised of residents who live within a three-mile radius of the landfill and are appointed by the county **Board of Supervisors**. They review the report and provide comments to the supervisors, including issues or concerns.

COC members are Chairman **Amie Kinne, Dawson Canyon; Ruth Brissenden, Butterfield Estates; Lee Wilson, Trilogy,** and Vice Chairman **Paul Rodriguez, Riverside**. The county website shows a vacancy on the five-member committee.

You can find the agenda for the Aug. 12 meeting here:

<http://www.rcwaste.org/About-Us/Committees/El-Sobrante>

CNUSD looks to sell high school property located here

The **Corona-Norco Unified School District** wants to sell property it purchased in 2004 to be used for **Rancho Serrano High** in Temescal Valley.

In 2006, voters passed the \$250 million **Measure U** bond that called for the construction of seven new CNUSD schools. Six schools were built – the Temescal Valley high school was not.

To sell the property, under state law the district must declare it surplus and appoint a citizens’ committee to make that recommendation to the board. The committee also was charged with holding a public hearing to determine what acceptable and non-acceptable uses of the property might be.

About 35 people attended the **Aug. 5** hearing. Fifteen spoke – all saying the best use of the property was for a high school. After the hearing was closed and on a 3-2-1 (abstention) vote, the committee will still recommend the property be declared surplus

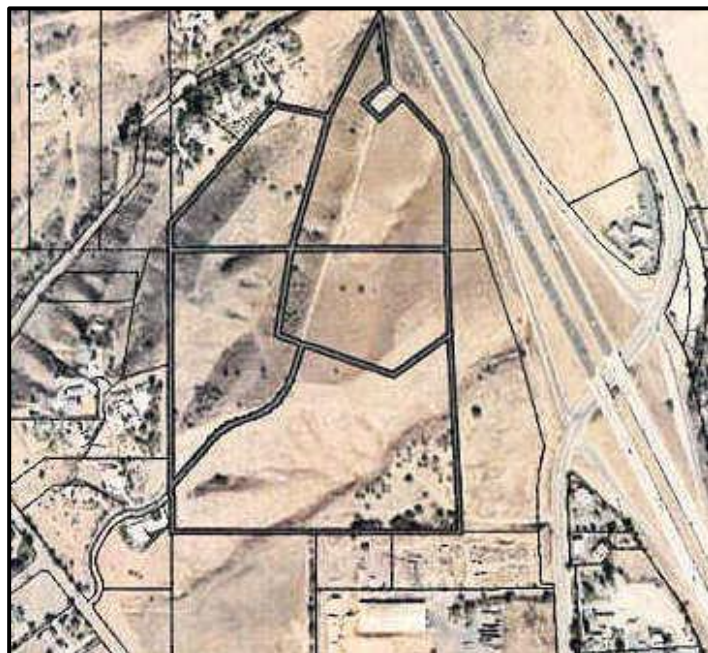
According to **Kelli Noss**, chairman of the **We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee**, “Selling the CNUSD property will close the chapter on a high school in Temescal Valley. Once the property is gone, there is nothing physically keeping CNUSD to their word of bringing a high school -- that’s already been paid for -- to the valley.”

BUSING SURVEY

Do you live within the boundaries of **Temescal Valley Elementary School** and have students that will be attending **El Cerrito Middle** and **Santiago High** schools this year?

The **We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee** needs to know if you’d be interested in busing. The survey asks would families be willing to pay \$378 a year if busing was available.

ACCESS THE SURVEY [HERE](#)



THE CNUSD PROPERTY: The five parcels are bordered by the I-15 on the east, Mission Clay and Tom’s Farms to the south, and the Lawson Road rural homes to the west and north.

CALENDAR

EVENTS

- **School Back in Session:** For all Temescal Valley students attending Corona-Norco Unified and Lake Elsinore Unified schools, **Monday, Aug. 12.**
- **Temescal Canyon High School:** Picture Day, 10th-12th grade, **Monday, Aug. 12;** 9th grade, **Tuesday, Aug. 13.**
- **Luiseno School:** Back to School Nights, 5th grade, **Wednesday, Aug. 14;** TK-4th grade, **Tuesday, Aug. 20;** middle school, **Wednesday, Aug. 21.** 6 p.m.; visit classrooms, 7 p.m.
- **Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center:** A hands-on learning experience, the center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., **Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays,** 11875 Indian Truck Trail. To register for presentations: 951-277-0219 or scic@rcrcd.org. **FREE! Day of Wonder:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m., **Saturday, Aug. 17.** "Snakes of Southern California." Reservations preferred.
- **Scale Fly-In Event:** Sponsored by the Circle City Flyers model aeronautics club, **Saturday, Aug. 17.** Registration, 8 a.m.; flying begins, 9 a.m. \$15 landing fee; awards presented. Free to spectators. At the Dawson Canyon Road Deleo airfield.
- **PTSA Book Fair:** Luiseno School, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., **Monday, Aug. 19 – Friday, Aug. 23.**
- **Luiseno School:** Middle School Math Information Night, 6-7 p.m., **Wednesday, Aug. 28,** multipurpose room.
- **El Cerrito Public Library:** Many fun activities for the kids. Located behind El Cerrito Middle School, 7581 Rudell Road, 951-270-5012 or check out the August events [HERE](#)
- **Tom's Farms: FREE!** Every weekend — **Craft Faire,** 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; **Magic Show,** noon and 2 p.m.; **live music,** 12:30 to 5 p.m.

TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

- **El Sobrante Landfill Citizens' Oversight Committee:** 10 a.m., **Monday, Aug. 12,** Temescal Valley Water District, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council:** 6 p.m., **Wednesday, Aug. 14,** Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, Aug. 15,** Tom's Farm Old-Fashioned Hamburgers.
- **Temescal Heritage Foundation:** 9 a.m., **Saturday, Aug. 17,** Temescal Room, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting:** 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday, Aug. 27,** 22646 Temescal Canyon Road. [AGENDA](#)
- **We Are Temescal Valley Identity and Beautification Meetings:** 6 p.m. and 7 p.m., respectively, **Thursday, Sept. 5,** Tom's Farms Old-Fashioned Hamburger Stand.
- **We Are Temescal Valley citizens' group:** 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, Sept. 7,** Trilogy Lake Center, 24477 Trilogy Parkway.

MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- **Corona-Norco Unified School District:** Study Session, 6 p.m., **Tuesday, Aug. 20;** Business Meeting, 7 p.m., **Tuesday, Sept. 3,** 2820 Clark Ave., Norco. [AGENDA](#)
- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, Aug. 22,** and **Sept. 12,** 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore. **NOTE: Public Hearing at Aug. 22 meeting to consider a proposed two-year schedule of rate increases.** [AGENDA](#)
- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9:30 a.m., **Tuesday, Aug. 27** and **Sept. 10,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside. [AGENDA](#) | [WATCH LIVE VIDEO](#)
- **Riverside County Planning Commission:** 9 a.m., **Wednesday, Sept. 4,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside. [AGENDA](#) | [WATCH LIVE VIDEO](#)
- **Lake Elsinore Unified School District:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, Sept. 12,** 545 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore. [AGENDA](#)



JUNE PHOTO WINNER

The theme was "Pathways." Congratulations to **SHAWN RITTO HIEGEL**, a Horsethief Canyon Ranch resident, for this photo titled "Beautiful Pathways in Temescal Valley." (There was no contest in July)

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS! This from Rob Mucha, Photo Contest chairman. "This month's theme is 'New in Temescal Valley' and I am looking forward to your interpretations of the theme. I don't usually give hints -- as I like to see what people come up with on their own -- but I expect I just may see some flower buds, cocoons, building construction, puppies or chicks, and yes, probably some sunrises, etc. Whatcha got?" It's easy to enter the monthly contests. Photos must be shot by Temescal Valley residents in Temescal Valley -- limit five photos per photographer. Tell us who you are and in which Temescal Valley community you reside. Give your entries a title. Shots are due by Saturday, Aug. 31. Email the photos and info to:

tvfairephotos@gmail.com



2019 FAIRE PHOTO WINNERS DISPLAYED

ROB MUCHA admires the work he and **CATHIE SMITH** accomplished last week at the El Cerrito Public Library in displaying this year's photo contest winners.



Sycamore Creek
Interpretive Center

Day of Wonder

**Join us the third Saturday of the month
11 am - 2 pm**

***Free, fun and educational for the entire family!
Each Day of Wonder will focus on a specific topic:***

Aug 17 Snakes of Southern California

**Special Presentation with live snakes by Dr. Hayes of Loma Linda University @ 11am*

Sept 21 Wildlife of the Desert

June 15 Giants of the Sky- California Condor



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- Hands-on Activities
- Guest Speakers
- Live Animals*
- Crafts for Kids
- Educational Handouts

Speaking times for guest speakers will be announced for each individual event.

*Not all Days of Wonder will have live animals present.



Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center

11875 Indian Truck Trail

(at Campbell Ranch Road)

Temescal Valley, 92883

AT THE DAWSON CANYON ROAD DELEO AIRFIELD

***FREE!* TO SPECTATORS**

THE CIRCLE CITY FLYERS OF CORONA

PRESENT: A SCALE FLY-IN EVENT AUGUST 17, 2019

AWARDS FOR: BEST MILITARY, BEST CIVILIAN, BEST SCALE FOAMY & BEST OF SHOW AND THREE HONORABLE MENTION MEDALS

LANDING FEE: \$15 (PILOTS RECEIVE ONE RAFFLE TICKET) – GIANT RAFFLE – WINNERS MUST BE PRESENT



EVENT STARTS AT 8 AM WITH REGISTRATION, 9AM FLYING BEGINS, FLYING WITH SPOTTERS IS RECOMMENDED.

GLO & GAS ENGINE START-UP AREA. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS REQUIRED.

- **RAFFLE TICKETS \$1 EA, 25 TICKETS for \$20, 50 -100 TICKETS are \$15 OFF .**
- **ALL SCALE FLYERS AND CLUBS WELCOME, BRING THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS .**
- **FOOD BY HOT DIGGIDY DOG**

CONTACTS:

CCF PRESIDENT RICK TUCKER (949-293-1707) AND EVENT COORDINATOR JESSE PAZ (951-741-5462) WITH ALLAN PERRY

UNDERSTANDING VAPING PRODUCTS AND POLICY



- What are e-cigarettes and vapes?
- District policy
- Available resources
- Answering additional questions

September 9, 2019
6:30pm-7:15pm

CNUSD Parent Center
152 E 6th St, Corona, CA 92879

Please register by using the link:
<http://bit.ly/ecigarettes2019>
or calling (951) 273-3132

For more information on the CNUSD tobacco prevention program please visit:
www.cnusd.k12.ca.us/ucanstop

TEMESCAL VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

August 14th, 2019 6:00 P.M.

Trilogy the Ballroom at 24503 Trilogy Parkway, Temescal Valley, CA 92883

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Glen Nelson (Chair), Kelli Noss (Vice-Chair), Bob Hafner, Eric Werner, Jerry Sincich, Lee Wilson (Alternate) & Fred Myers (Alternate)

Approval of Minutes – June 12, 2019

Reports (3 minutes each)*

- A. Update from CHP
- B. Update from Sheriff's Department
- C. Update from CalFire
- D. Update from Transportation Land Management Agency
- E. Update from Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez's office
*when available

New Business

- A. Update on the Riverside Medical Clinic
- B. Presentation by Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

Public Comments*

Representative from County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' office, Tricia Almiron

Items for Future Agendas

Date of Next Meeting: **September 11, 2019**

* Those wishing to ask one question or make a single comment after a presentation, should raise their hand or complete a speaker's slip. After being recognized by the board, please stand up, state your name and ask your question or make your comment and please sit down.

*New issues raised during the public comment period will not be discussed by the council during that meeting, they may, if warranted, be included as a future item.

*Alternative formats available upon request. If you require reasonable accommodation, please contact DISTRICT1@rivco.org two weeks prior to the meeting.

*The Temescal Valley MAC is advisory to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries, not to Riverside County Staff.
The Temescal Valley MAC meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of every month.

1st District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries:

4080 Lemon Street, 5th Floor, Riverside, CA 92502

(951) 955-1010

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www.SupervisorJeffries.org



Child Nutrition Presents...

**Coming to your school
August 12th 2019!**



Menus!

Featuring:

- ◆ Honey-Glazed BBQ Beef Rib Hoagie!
- ◆ Chicken Caesar Salad!
- ◆ Build Your Own Breakfast Burrito!
- ◆ Made-From-Scratch Salsa!
- ◆ Vegetarian Three-Bean Chili!

Elementary Lunch Includes:
Daily Choice of Entrée, Fresh Fruits & Vegetables, Milk, and Assorted Sides.

Elementary Breakfast Price: \$1.50
Elementary Lunch Price: \$3.00
*New prices effective August 12th, 2019.



**New
Breakfast
Items!**

**New Lunch
Items!**

**Includes
Classics &
Favorites!**

Hurry to the Cafeteria!