



Celebrating 100 Years of Service

You're Invited

**La Cumbre Mutual Water Company
Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
Update on the Water System Master Plan**



Date: Monday, March 17



Time: 6:00 - 7:30 pm



**Location: Vieja Valley Elementary School
434 Nogal Drive, Santa Barbara**

We look forward to sharing our plans and providing insight into the financing options and how we can pay for the needed improvements.

For a century, the La Cumbre Mutual Water Company has been at the heart of our community, ensuring a safe and reliable water supply for Hope Ranch and the Hope Ranch Annex.

We invite you to learn about the challenges our water company is currently facing and the planned improvements. Our goals are to continue to meet regulations and to provide a safe and reliable supply for the community.

Your feedback is important to us!

A Legacy of Reliable Water Service

Established in 1925, La Cumbre Mutual Water Company was created with a clear vision: to support the needs of the community through a dependable water system. Initially designed to serve a ranch style community, the system has evolved over time, incorporating modern engineering practices to meet ever-changing regulations and the increasing demands of the expanding community. Today, the Water Company operates quietly behind the scenes, working diligently to acquire, manage, and deliver water that sustains the service area's way of daily life. Its commitment to excellence and foresight has positioned the Water Company as a pillar of the community's infrastructure. Our charge is to deliver clean, potable water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire fighting capabilities.

A Decade of Progress: Modernizing for the Future

The Water Company has completed projects to improve our water supply and delivery system. These initiatives are designed to streamline operations and maintenance, meet evolving water quality regulations, bolster fire fighting capabilities, and mitigate the impacts of droughts.

The proactive approach of the Water Company has included:

- **Operational Improvements:** Adopting modern technologies for efficient management and delivery.
- **Compliance with Water Quality Regulations:** Meeting drinking water standards.
- **Enhanced Fire Fighting Capability:** Upgrading systems to safeguard the community in case of emergencies.
- **Drought Resilience:** Implementing strategies to secure water resources even in times of scarcity.

Planning for the Next Century

Many components of the water delivery system have exceeded their expected service life, requiring extensive improvements. Instead of relying on a reactive approach—repairing or replacing parts only as they fail—the Water Company has identified critical updates and developed a plan to fix the issues. Water system engineering experts were engaged to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the water system, leading to the development of a Master Plan. This strategic roadmap evaluates all elements of our infrastructure, prioritizing critical improvement projects and necessary investments to ensure the long-term reliability of the water system.

The Master Plan is available for review on the Water Company's website, providing our stockholders transparency and insight into these vital initiatives. To further ensure cost-effective implementation, financial experts have been retained to guide funding decisions, balancing the need for improvements with affordability for stockholders.

Looking Ahead

The La Cumbre Mutual Water Company remains steadfast in its mission to serve our shareholders with the highest standards of reliability and quality. These ongoing efforts help ensure that future generations in our service area will continue to enjoy a robust and sustainable water supply.

For more information on the Master Plan and to stay updated on the Water Company's efforts, visit our website at www.lacumbrewater.com.



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