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THE WOODS



**A NEWSLETTER FROM
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CMWC NEWS

The meters were not read this month due to the amount of snow on the ground. The cost to us would have been doubled. The meters will be read next month on the 25th of the month. You will not see a meter reading on this month's water invoice. So check the January invoice for the meter reading to track how you are doing for the two month period. Your total usage for two months should not exceed 5100 cubic feet.

The Restated Articles of Incorporation have been sent off to the State for recording. Once the state has recorded the Articles, they will be returned to our Attorney. The Attorney will send the CMWC the recorded document from the State along with the restated Bylaws. These documents will be taken to the Department of Public Works. The Department of Public Works should move forward with the process to finalize the transfer of the CSA 21 properties to the CMWC. Updates to the property owners will be announced as they occur.

ROAD REPAIRS

Road repairs are scheduled for the week of March 2, 2026, especially the area on Cascadel Drive near Cascadel Road. Weather permitting these potholes should get another fill.

SNOW IN THE WOODS

It is estimated we received about two feet of snow on Feb 16 & 17. Our snowplow team kept up with the snow. The team is Stan Eggink and Jacob Paquette. Stan and Jacob have submitted all necessary documents to the CMWC liability carrier in order to be covered to drive our plow.



We sometimes hire a licensed contractor to help plow difficult driveways and Cascadel Road. His cost was \$175 per hour this year.

Anyone who is not a licensed contractor or covered by the CMWC insurance carrier should not use their personal equipment to plow our roads. If you cause an injury to yourself, others, or the roads, you would be held responsible.

However, using your personal equipment to assist neighbors in the clearing of their driveways is up to you and the neighbor. I know our neighbors appreciate you. Roger and Mary Wooten cleared driveways and around hydrants and mail box clusters. We all appreciate your assistance during the snow days. You make a huge difference.

Others took it upon themselves to clear the hydrant and mail box cluster in front of their home. Thank you, Wayne Bradberry. Thanks to all who pitched in to help your neighbors in many ways unknown to this writer of the newsletter. You all help to keep us safe and you are appreciated.

FIREWISE NEWS

Jeremy, the Road contact for Madera County, who lets us know what is going on, as well as what new problems we may face, shared the following:

- There will be no roadside spraying, on Road 233, to kill the easement grasses, due to the lack of a contractor this year. The last person retired. The county is currently looking to hire a new licensed contractor.
- Do not expect easement clearing by the county on Road 233.

The Mt Bullion crews are not available to us as before. They relocated and are located much farther from here. The county has seven men that do the easement clearing for all roads up here other than HWY 41 and 49. If possible, we will put together a volunteer event, to clear the tall brown grasses from Road 233. We have to do whatever it takes to allow the emergency crews get to us in the event of another wildfire.

THE COMMUNITY BURN AREA

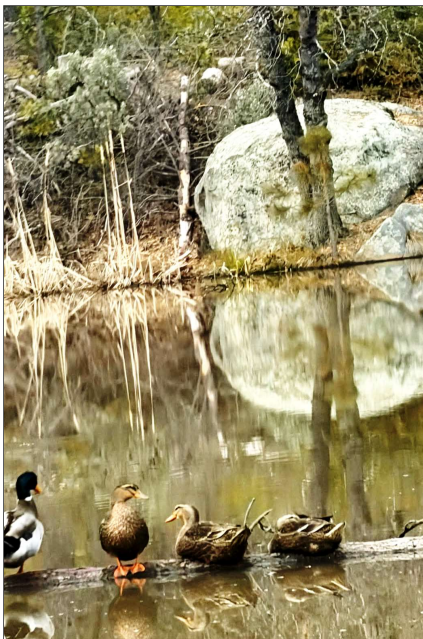
It seems some are still not aware that we have a community burn area. You are invited to bring your yard cuttings to the flat open area just before the bridge as you are coming from the Arches. If no piles are in the area, please place your pile near the center of the open area. If the pile or piles are large, make a new pile.

This convenience is provided to help our residents save the money you would spend taking your debris to the dump on Road 274 and to help those who just do not have the clearing for a burn on their property. We will do this as long as there are trained volunteers to do a safe burn.

For everyone's information all burns are conducted to the highest standards and we have been complimented by the Station 11 crew who came up to see how we do our burns. It was stated we perform our burns like they do. We lay a hose from the hydrant, charge it, and have plenty of hand tools. We use the skid steer during the fire to accumulate piles as they burn down or spread them out if they are too high. After the burn is done, the area is hosed down to put the fire dead out.

AFTER THE SNOW

Bruce Busch shot this photo while checking out The Woods under snow. This is at our pond.



EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- Mar 8 – Daylight Savings Time Begins
- Mar 17 – St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 29 – Palm Sunday

NEXT MONTH

- April 5 – Easter Sunday
- April 10 – CMWC Board Meeting
Clubhouse - 59827 Cascadel Drive, North Fork, CA 93643 @ 3:00 – 5:00 pm
- April 10 – Property Taxes are due today
- April 22 – Earth Day

FROM THE EDITOR

We hope you enjoyed this month's edition of **The Woods Newsletter**. Send your submissions for the April edition to Carol Eggink by Mar 25, 2025, at egginks@netptc.net or call/text at 559-676-3783