



Indian Valley Community Services District

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Progress in Action: IVCS D's Ongoing Work to Restore and Strengthen Infrastructure

Over the past year, the Indian Valley Community Services District (IVCS D) has made significant strides in maintaining, repairing, and improving critical infrastructure systems across our community. While much of this work happens behind the scenes, it plays a vital role in ensuring safe water, reliable wastewater systems, and overall public health.

These efforts reflect IVCS D's continued commitment to practical, measurable progress as we move forward in the long-term recovery from the Dixie Fire.

Crescent Mills Water System Improvements

One of the most notable projects this year took place at the Crescent Mills filtration plant. This facility is essential for treating spring water and ensuring it meets safety standards before reaching customers.

IVCS D crews completed extensive maintenance, including:

- Replacing filter media responsible for removing naturally occurring iron and manganese
- Repairing the main supply line delivering spring water to the plant
- Cleaning, sanding, priming, and painting tanks and the main building

These improvements not only enhance water quality but also extend the life of critical infrastructure and improve overall system reliability.

It is important to note that these filters are typically serviced every 3–5 years; however, our current understanding is that they have not been maintained for at least a decade. As a result of this recent service, water customers in Crescent Mills should experience a noticeable improvement in water quality. If you do not observe these improvements or have any concerns, please contact the Indian Valley Community Services District so our team can assist you.

Taylorville Wastewater System Repairs

In Taylorville, a thorough inspection of the septic system revealed several issues that required immediate attention.

Crews discovered that one of the three primary tanks was not receiving proper flow due to a blockage in the feed line. After clearing the obstruction, the tank was successfully brought back into operation.

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Additionally:

- A second tank was found to be completely full of solids; partial pumping has been completed, with plans for continued removal over the coming years
- A broken riser pipe was repaired, preventing debris and stormwater runoff from entering the system and reducing efficiency

These repairs are essential to maintaining a reliable and effective wastewater system, ensuring it continues to safely serve the community. They are also expected to resolve the overflow and backflow issues previously experienced at the Pearce Ranch lift station.

Improving Accuracy Through Water Meter Audits

Accurate water measurement is essential for both system management and fair billing. Over the past year, IVCSD conducted a comprehensive audit of water meters in both Crescent Mills and Greenville.

This effort allowed staff to:

- Identify incorrect meter readings
- Correct addressing discrepancies
- Detect malfunctioning meters

The results of this audit are already improving billing accuracy and will guide an upcoming meter replacement project. This project is expected to reduce discrepancies between water production and billed usage, helping the District operate more efficiently and transparently.

Greenville Wastewater Pond Maintenance

At the Greenville wastewater treatment ponds, crews began long-overdue maintenance work to restore proper function and compliance.

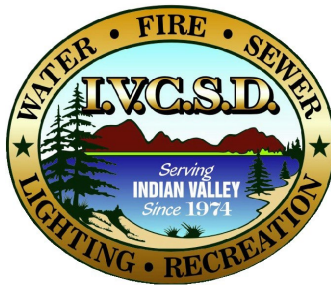
This included:

- Removing trees and brush from pond banks and beds, which are not permitted and can impact system performance
- Mowing perimeter areas that had not been maintained in years

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- Repairing a leak in one of the levees that had been allowing wastewater to escape onto neighboring property
- Planning is underway to upgrade the pond system infrastructure, with the goal of improving overall efficiency and reliability.

These actions improve both environmental compliance and system integrity while addressing concerns from nearby landowners.

Addressing Sewer System Damage in Greenville

Following the Dixie Fire, cleanup efforts unintentionally caused damage to underground sewer laterals—pipes that connect individual properties to the main sewer system.

Through smoke testing, IVCS D identified and repaired 50 broken sewer laterals on private property. These breaks were a significant source of groundwater infiltration into the sewer system, which can overwhelm treatment capacity and increase operational costs.

By addressing these issues, the District has taken an important step toward improving system efficiency and reducing unnecessary strain on infrastructure.

Looking Ahead: Ongoing Challenges and Future Work

While meaningful progress has been made, challenges remain.

One of the most significant ongoing issues is groundwater intrusion into aging sewer mains in areas including Kinder, Higbie, Landon, First Street, and Second Street in Greenville. Addressing this problem will require a major construction project, involving significant planning, funding, and time.

IVCS D is actively working toward solutions, with a continued focus on prioritizing projects that deliver the greatest benefit to the community.

A Commitment to Steady Progress

Infrastructure work is not always visible, but it is essential. Every repair, upgrade, and maintenance effort contributes to a safer, more reliable system for residents.

IVCS D remains committed to:

- Maintaining and improving essential services
- Addressing long-standing infrastructure challenges

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- Using resources responsibly and effectively
- Communicating progress with the community

As we continue moving forward, these efforts represent more than just repairs—they are the foundation of a stronger, more resilient future for Indian Valley.

We encourage community members to stay engaged, attend board meetings, and reach out with any questions. Your awareness and involvement are an important part of the recovery process.

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**Join us for Regular Board Meetings on the 1st and 3rd
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