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HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM TESTING UPDATE

In June of 2025, Quail Valley Water District received a citation from WaterBoards for failure to test the Montclair well for Hexavalent Chromium. The well had previously been tested for total chromium and the results were below detectable limits.

A notice was included with the Consumer Confidence Report sent to our customers in June informing you of the failure to collect the required Hexavalent Chromium sample.

As soon as the District was made aware that this new sampling was required and had been overlooked, staff ordered sampling supplies, collected the required sample and submitted the sample to the laboratory for analysis. On June 24, 2025, Quail Valley Water District received the laboratory analysis results for the Hexavalent Chromium sample that was collected on June 10. The results, as expected, indicate that Hexavalent Chromium is below detectable limits.

The District routinely collects water samples for testing for more than 50 different contaminants to insure the safety of your drinking water.

WATER RATES

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Quail Valley Water District held August 23, 2025, the Board approved the next scheduled rate increase of 10% to be effective at the end of this year. This will bring the monthly meter fee to \$162.58 for a standard residential 5/8 X 3/4 meter. Consumption charges for the first 12 units (1 Unit = 748 Gallons) will increase to \$10.45 per unit. Tier 2 consumption (13 Units to 24 Units) will increase to \$12.53 per Unit while Tier 3 (25 Units to 36 Units) will be \$18.80 per Unit. Tier 4 usage (all usage over 24 Units) increases to \$41.78.

While no one likes rate increases, District costs continue to rise making rate increases inevitable.

At the August meeting, the Board also adopted a budget for fiscal year 2026 which anticipates this rate increase along with increases in expenses for inflation. The adopted budget indicates a net profit of \$9,136.72 but this amount does not include the minimum \$3,000 in principal to be paid on long-term debt or the anticipated cost to replace computers made obsolete with Microsoft ending support for Windows 10. The complete budget is available on our website (www.qvwd.org).

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of Quail Valley Water District will be held on Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 8:30 AM at the District Office, 24750 Sand Canyon Road.