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San Lorenzo Valley Water District Moves Forward with Replacement of Water Storage Tank in Mañana Woods

BOULDER CREEK, CA – The San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD) today announced the District will replace a 65,000-gallon, bolted steel water storage tank in the Mañana Woods area of the District.

The decision to replace the tank, known as the "Blue Tank," was made following the District's routine inspection of the tank. The inspection revealed the tank has experienced extensive corrosion. The tank also suffers from previously identified buckling damage from the 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake. The combined condition of the corrosion and earthquake damage to the tank warrants immediate replacement. The tank has been emptied and taken offline. Water storage and supply has been shifted to the larger, 100,000-gallon Pasatiempo Tank located near Mañana Woods.

The new, bolted steel tank will hold 65,000 gallons of water. In response to input from the community, the tank will be painted light brown. The steps in the process to install the new tank include removal of the current tank for recycling, geotechnical and structural review of the site and installation of the new tank. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$100,000 and will be funded through the District's general fund. Construction is estimated to be completed by the end of November 2017.

The Blue Tank, named for its exterior color, was originally installed in the 1980s by the Mañana Woods Mutual Water Company, which was acquired by the San Lorenzo Valley Water district in 2005.

ABOUT THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District is located in the mountains of northern Santa Cruz County. The district serves more than 7,800 metered connections. Established in 1941, the district supplies water to the communities of Boulder Creek, Brookdale, Ben Lomond, Zayante, Scotts Valley, Mañana Woods, Felton and Lompico. For more information, visit www.slvwd.com or www.facebook.com/slvwaterdistrict.