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SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT COMPLETES BLUE RIDGE TANK UPGRADES, ADDING WATER SUPPLY AND INCREASING FIREFIGHTING CAPACITY

Undersized Redwood Tank Replaced by New Steel Tank

Oct. 16, 2023 — BOULDER CREEK, CA — The San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD) has completed important upgrades to its Blue Ridge Tank, tripling the water storage available north of Boulder Creek, near the Redwood Grove neighborhood.

The four-month, \$887,745 project replaced an aging, undersized redwood water tank with a new, larger steel tank. The new 120,000-gallon tank is constructed of bolted steel. It's nearly 30 feet in diameter and more than 32 feet tall.

The work is part of the SLVWD's "Safeguarding San Lorenzo Valley" project that includes more than \$13 million in crucial pipeline infrastructure and water tank replacement projects aimed at enhancing the water system's reliability and improving support for firefighting. In June 2023 the District was awarded a \$4.5 million dollar grant through the Department of Water Resources' Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program to replace & upgrade six tank sites throughout the District's water system. The Blue Ridge tank is the first to be completed through this grant funding.

The Blue Ridge Tank has been filled with water and is now being used to supply District customers in the region.

For details and updates on the District's Capital Improvement Projects, please visit www.slvwd.com/projects.

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 7,500 metered connections. Established in 1941, the district supplies water to the communities of Boulder Creek, Brookdale, Ben Lomond, Zayante, Quail Hollow, Scotts Valley, Whispering Pines, Manana Woods, and Felton. For more information, visit www.slvwd.com or follow the District on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Nextdoor.

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