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*Join PV Water on July 10*

**Community Meeting to discuss Latest Efforts to Preserve Water Resources  
with Focus on Proposed College Lake Project**

The Pajaro Valley Water Agency Board of Directors invites the public to learn more about the state of the Valley's Groundwater Basin and the work PV Water is doing to balance the basin and stop seawater intrusion. Your questions and comments are encouraged at the Community Meeting on July 10 at 7 p.m. at Watsonville's Civic Plaza Community Room.

"The agency is working on the priority projects and programs recommended by our Community Stakeholder Committee," said General Manager Brian Lockwood. "We would like to provide an update to the public and hear their thoughts regarding the implementation of these important projects that are intended to help balance our basin and stop seawater intrusion," Lockwood added.

The meeting will open with information stations that the public can visit and ask questions of the staff and consultant experts about water projects, field studies, regulatory requirements and other discoveries. PV Water staff will also be available to talk about conservation, recent facility upgrades, and how these improvements benefit the sustainability of the Valley's water resources. Following the information session, staff will give a presentation about the state of the Valley's groundwater basin and the purpose of the proposed projects with respect to achieving both sustainable water resources and compliance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. This will be followed by a public comment session.

The proposed College Lake Project off Holohan Road, a mile northeast of Watsonville, will be a main topic of the presentation.

"We encourage everyone to attend and learn more about how overdraft has affected our groundwater basin. Come also to learn about our existing water supply projects and conservation programs along with new solutions to achieve sustainability with our local water resources," says Rosemarie Imazio, Chair of the PV Water Board of Directors.

**UPCOMING PV WATER COMMUNITY MEETING**

**WHEN:** Monday, July 10, 2017 at 7 p.m.

**WHERE:** Civic Plaza Community Room, 275 Main Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Watsonville

WHY: Learn about the state of the groundwater basin and the proposed projects to preserve and protect local water resources – share comments and ask questions.

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