



Travis County W.C.I.D. - Point Venture

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June Newsletter

Point Venture Water Restrictions In Effect

Combined levels of lakes Buchanan and Travis have dropped last week below 1.4 million acre feet requiring the Travis County WCID to implement Stage 1 (voluntary) of its Drought Contingency Plan. If Stages are escalated by the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA), new guidelines will be announced.

What this will mean for customers:

All customers may water (irrigate landscapes) two days a week. This includes irrigation systems and hose-end sprinklers.

Customers with addresses which end in an odd number may water on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Customers with addresses which end in an even number may water on Thursdays and Sundays.

Commercial (including large landscapes such as POA and townhome common areas) may water Tuesdays and Fridays.

Current signage in the District is not correct but is being used to serve as a reminder to conserve water. These signs will be used while new signs are on order.

The complete Drought Contingency Plan is under Other Information on the District's website – tcwcid-pv.org. If you have questions, please call the District office at 512-267-1641, Mon-Fri 8am-4pm

New Board Member Appointed

Travis County WCID Board of Directors appointed a new Board member to fill the unexpired term opened after the recent resignation of Fred Marshall. The Board appointed Mark Villemarette to serve out the term which ends in November 2022.

Director Villemarette states, "Originally I became involved with the WCID due to my concerns regarding the December 2020 rate increase, water loss, and meter issues. I presented my concerns to the Board and offered to help as a volunteer. The District resolved my concerns through other means, but I had dipped my toe in the water, and I became a

volunteer on the design review committee around May 2021."

Director Villemarette worked 30 years in the aerospace industry. He and his wife Patricia purchased a home in Point Venture 10 years ago. They moved in full time after his retirement in 2017.

Director Villemarette enjoys boating, fishing, relaxing at home, casual tennis and bicycling, and visits from his grandchildren.

The District welcomes Director Villemarette to the Board.



Water District Has A New Email Address!

The District office has a new email address! Customers can reach the District's Point Venture office now at office@wcidpv.org. The office phone number remains the same 512-267-1641.

Customers should use this new email address to reach the District Point Venture office. You can also email Inframark's Austin customer service at csaus@inframark.com for help.

Meet the Team - Jean Cecala, PV Operations Support Coordinator

Jean Cecala is a familiar voice and face in Point Venture. Jean came to work in the District in July 2017 to fill in temporarily as the billing clerk. When the District changed to a management company in early 2019, Jean was hired by AWR Services to continue in her role as billing clerk and customer service representative. In late 2020, Inframark took over the management of the District, and Jean was then hired by Inframark as Operations Support Coordinator.

Jean wears many hats for the District. Her main roles are customer support and operations support coordinator. She is the first contact for most customers as she answers phones and serves customers in person at the District's Point Venture office. As operations support coordinator for Inframark, Jean helps coordinate work orders for tasks in Point Venture. This includes being the link between customers' needs and Inframark. She also works with management to help keep Point Venture running smoothly.

Jean also works with the District's Board of Directors. She helps prepare for monthly meetings and works with the Board and the District's accountants, attorneys and engineers. She attends monthly Board meetings and writes the minutes. She also produces the District's newsletter and keeps customers informed of other District activities through IRIS. Additionally, Jean keeps the District records up-to-date.

Jean truly enjoys her job in Point Venture. She has met many great people who live or own a home here. Although some days at her job can be challenging, overall she looks forward to being at work each

day.

Jean's background includes working in the newspaper industry for years including part-ownership of a small south Texas newspaper. She pursued her bachelor's degree at Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, graduating in 1991. She then began a career in the field of education teaching at the elementary level.

Jean grew up in a small town in south Texas where she and her husband, Bill, raised their children. They began visiting Point Venture when their daughter, Cristin, moved here. They fell in love with Lake Travis and decided to purchase a home and move to this area in 2009.

The Cecalas have been married for almost 30 years. They have five adult children and nine grandchildren. Jean and Bill are active in their church community and love to entertain in their home. Jean likes to spend time with her family - especially the grandchildren. She also likes to read and play video games in her spare time.

Water Conservation Brochures Available

Several informative brochures for conserving water are now available for pickup at the District office in Point Venture, 18606 Venture Drive.

Those interested can come by Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to noon and search the rack in the lobby for items of interest. Brochures include - "Water Is Limited", "Household Water Use and Ways to Save", "Conserving Water Outdoors", "A Watering Guide for Texas Landscape" and others. These are provided to the District courtesy of the Texas Water Development Board.