



# ENTRANOSA WATER NEWS

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FROM YOUR WATER ASSOCIATION

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Welcome 2026!

## Tank Walls Rising



Welders seal the wall panels from inside

FHG's tank contractor gets started erecting the walls of Entranosa's one-million gallon water storage tank. In December, Board of

Directors members Linda Barbour and Joelle Hertel visited the project, which is one of the largest in Entranosa history.

## Operator lifts panels into place



Barbour and Hertel

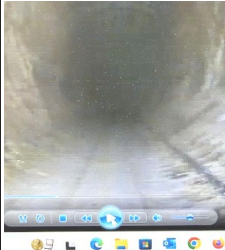


## Site For New Tank

Jimmy Moore, Tank Division Project Manager for FHG, is inspecting a new tank location for Richland Ridge subdivision. Entranosa has future plans for a 250,000 gallon tank at the site that will provide off-site storage for 250 residences.



## Project Under I-40



Shot of clean casing

An Entranosa field crew replaced an old leaky water line under Interstate 40. However, before the new line could be installed, we had to clean and inspect the steel casing.



Digging out the site

## Ford Tough

Back to Fords: Vince Collier is standing next to his new Ford crew-cab service truck. In 2019 and 2021, Entranosa purchased four Chevy Silverado trucks, which turned out to be unreliable and required lots of time in the shop to replace engines, transmissions and starters. Historically for Entranosa, we have found Ford trucks to be more reliable, be better built and require less maintenance. Service trucks are the most important tool for Entranosa's operators because they need to be fully operational 24/7. Entranosa has a duty operator on-call on weekends and holidays to respond to members' emergencies.



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**Entranosa is an equal opportunity employer**

**Emergency call 505-604-5935 24/7 including holidays.**

- ◇ Reliably supply quality drinking water at a reasonable price to our membership, such that the Association is self-sustaining
- ◇ Promote water conservation
- ◇ Provide leadership for our Community concerning water issues
- ◇ Protect our ground water resources through environmentally responsible business practices
- ◇ Pursue water service opportunities in the East Mountain and Estancia Basin Regions

**ENTRANOSA'S  
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**Water Hardness Reading as of 12/29/25: 17 grains**

**Average Water Usage: Dec., 4,044 gal; Nov., 5,795 gal.  
Average Monthly Bill: \$51**

## East Mountains Happenings

If you were wondering what has been happening on La Madera Road, a new five-lot subdivision is being developed across from the Vista Grande Community Center. In this development, any paved road crossings are road-bored, due to the cost of paving and maintaining a road cut. The boring machine drills under the road and Entranosa's field crew will attach the pipe to pull the water line under the road.



## When Stuff Happens...

When things go really bad for our Stanley well... During an otherwise routine pump and motor replacement, the pump separated allowing the pump/motor and wire to plunge to the bottom of the well. Our partner, Rodgers & Co. well company started "fishing" and was able to snap the wire and retrieve the pump.



**RODGERS & CO.**

## High Technology Solves Old Problem

Entranosa crews

use a new technology to connect HDPE pipe together in tight locations. The black with red coupler has electrical connection points that cause the coupler to heat and melt into the two fusing pipelines. Works like a charm to solve an age-old problem!



## Continuing Education

Drew George, sales manager for OTC Industrial, teaches Entranosa's operators how to read a pump curve and



necessary information needed to select a pump for wells and booster stations.

## 2026 Budget Increase

At the December Board meeting, the budget for 2026 was approved. Revenues are expected to be \$4.41 million in the new year. Expenses are expected to increase 3-percent on average and total at \$4.4 million, resulting in a breakeven year. In addition to approving the budget, the Board also approved a 2-percent rate increase for all fees and water charges. With the average customer bill running \$69 a month, the rate increase will add approximately \$1.38 to each bill.



## Entranosa's Board of Directors

**Chair:** Robert 'Rob' Baracker, **Vice Chair:** Paul Gorder, **Secretary:** Linda Barbour, **Treasurer:** Dennis Hodges

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