



# ENTRANOSA WATER NEWS

*Committed to Providing Safe, Clean Water to All Our Members Since 1981*



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FROM YOUR WATER ASSOCIATION

2024

## Rocky Road to Fire Protection

The new tank connect on Via Sedillo Road is complete, but not without some challenges. Due to solid rock through the 600 ft.

build the one-week project turned in to three weeks. The tank connect will add an additional 500,000 gallons to the existing 160,000 gallons for fire protection. The new volume of 660,000 gallons will provide adequate coverage for the existing 560 homes. In addition, when automatic controls are completed later this summer, the two pressure zones will be combined helping members on the lower pressure side of the system.



## Take Care of Your Softener

Maintaining your water softener is extremely important to keep your water hardness in check. Your water softener should lower your hardness to 3 to 5 grains. If you are concerned that your softener is not getting the job done, before calling a pricey plumber, bring a sample of your softened water to Entranosa. We can check the hardness for you. Entranosa uses Kineticco water softeners for our Miox disinfection generators, as without softened water the generator cells plug up and stop working. Disinfection is a critical part of providing clean, safe drinking water.



## Audit Team Extraordinaire 2024



In the last newsletter, Entranosa members learned that we were having our annual audit. During the May Board of Directors meeting, Elijah Esquivel, Audit Senior Manager, from Pulakos CPAs presented the 2023 audit. Entranosa had a good financial year and increased membership equity by \$324,306, which increased the membership book value to \$5,181. This is an increase of \$265 from 2022. Mr. Esquivel reported an

unmodified ("clean") opinion and acknowledged appreciation from Entranosa staff, especially from Finance Manager Daniil Rybalko who does an excellent job without having to make audit adjustments. Mr. Rybalko's draft monthly and yearly financials

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presented to the Board are accurate that the Board can rely on that information to make sound financial decisions for the year ahead.



Daniil Rybalko

## Entranosa Water Association

**Office: (505) 281-8700**

**Emergency: (505) 604-5935**

**www.entranosawater.com**

**Summer Hours: Monday - Friday**

**8:00 am - 4:30 pm.**

***Entranosa is an equal opportunity employer***

**Water outages - Call the duty operator at 505-604-5935 24/7.**

- ◇ **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  
MISSION  
STATEMENT**



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Celebrating 40 Years of Service*

**Water Hardness Reading as of 04/30/24: 25 grains**

**Average Water Usage: May, 5,057 gal; April, 4,443 gal**

**Average Monthly Bill: \$54**

## The Rock and the Camel's Back

Consider the amazing the strength of this 30-year-old pipe, which has been sitting underground in almost solid rock without breaking...well...until it finally did break



in late May in a bad location. To reach the leak required the heavy rock hammer to create room to repair the line. Historically, rock issues have been one of Entranosa's biggest challenges is repairing past work, which was not properly prepared to "bed pipe" in rocky areas. It is was a single sharp rock that finally broke the line and caused a large leak.



**Rock hammer clears the route to the leak**

## Don't Fall for "Water Test"



Every year, Entranosa gets calls from members who said they got a "free water test" and something is wrong with the water. These "free" water tests are used by sales people to convince you that you need to buy their product. Entranosa tests your water monthly - some tests twice per month - and the results are submitted to the State Drinking Water Division. Annually, Entranosa issues a state-approved consumer

confidence report that contains lots of detailed information about your water. (See website.) Recently a member was told "your

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"water is off the scale alkaline." Alkaline is often confused with hardness. Your grains of hardness will vary from 15 to 30 depending on which well field Entranosa is drawing water from. Before you get a "free water test," bring a labeled water sample by the office, and we will test the grains of hardness for you at no cost.

## Friday Morning Class

Every Friday morning, the Entranosa crew has operator training sessions and they are tested on their knowledge. Operator certifications are extremely critical to ensure safe drinking water to our membership.



## Entranosa's Board of Directors

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