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Water Main Break

San Marcos, CA – Late last night, approximately 700 Vallecitos Water District (VWD) residences experienced service disruption due to a water main break at Bennett and Rock Springs in San Marcos. Water service is estimated to be back online by 6 p.m. today.

The District was first notified of the situation early yesterday morning. Crews were dispersed immediately and began searching for the exact location of the leak. The leak was located at around 11 p.m. Because repair would entail trenching to get to the line, cutting out and replacing the ruptured portion, water service had to be temporarily shut off.

The cause of the break is unknown at this time but it is suspected that recent rains and low temperatures caused ground movement which could have caused the 8" steel pipe to break.

Streets affected include Rachel Circle, Meleos Ct, Titon Ct, Bennett Ave, Hilcorte Dr, Mycorte Dr, Indian Summer Dr and Ct, Bitterroot Ct, Toyon Glen, Lotus Glen, Desert Glen, Kiwi Glen, Guava Glen, El Rosal Pl, Los Cedros Ln, Las Palmas Ln, El Cielo Ln, El Aire Pl, La Manzana Ln, El Calor Ln, El Norte Parkway (Between Rees and Nordahl), Pizarro Ln, Almagro Ln, Vizcaino Ct, Da Gama Ct, Leland Wy, Cortez Ave, Sunset Hts and Susan Ct. Woodland Middle School was within the area that was shut off, however crews were able to connect the school to a nearby fire hydrant so that the students would have water today.

After making the necessary repairs and flushing the system, crews will conduct water quality tests to ensure that the water is safe and expect to have the water back in service by 6 p.m. today.

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Vallecitos Water District is an independent, special district dedicated to providing water, wastewater and reclamation services to approximately 94,000 people in a 45-square-mile area that includes San Marcos; the community of Lake San Marcos; portions of Carlsbad, Escondido and Vista; and other surrounding unincorporated areas. The public is invited to Board meetings, taking place at 4 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at Vallecitos' Administration, Maintenance, and Operations Facility - 201 Vallecitos de Oro, San Marcos.