



Board Actively Addressing Drought With Conservation Measures

(The following message is the latest in an on-going series of e-mails from the PGA WEST Master Association Board and its management team, describing the Board's decisions, challenges and priorities. This message is being sent to all PGA WEST homeowners by Cassie Gertz, Association Manager.)

As you may already know, the Master Association Board does not meet during the months of July and August, so there will be no Board meeting highlights to report until after the Board resumes meeting in September.

This Manager's Message will update you on items we've been working on over the summer. I'll also include a few community reminders.

Drought Continues, Board to Review Effects of Mandate

In my June 4 Manager's Message, I informed you that the Board agreed to "brown down" all

perimeter turf, excluding PGA Boulevard. The perimeter turf, which is on the outside of PGA WEST's exterior walls, is showing signs of the brown down. Hort Tech, the Master Association's landscape contractor, is continuously monitoring the progress of the brown down and its effect on shrubs and trees.

The ad hoc committee appointed by the Board during the June meeting met to consider additional opportunities for water savings. The committee reviewed the landscape areas on Avenue 54 west of Jefferson and Avenue 58 east of Madison. Due to the low visibility of these areas, the committee adjusted the irrigation by significantly reducing the water applied to the turf. The trees and shrubs in these areas will continue to get water to ensure their health. The committee will monitor the progress of the change and report the effects to the Board.

At the next meeting, the Board will review the results of the brown down on the Master Association's water budget and community as a whole. The Board will also discuss additional measures, as needed, to comply with the CVWD water mandate. As the drought continues, the Master Association is taking a proactive role in reducing water to achieve sustainability and plan for the future.

Landscape Oversight Committee to Interview Architects

The Landscape Oversight Committee obtained proposals submitted by six landscape architects in July. The proposals were in response to an [RFP](#) issued in June. The Committee will meet in September to consider the proposals and conduct interviews. The Landscape Oversight Committee will then recommend a landscape architect to the Board for its consideration.

Once the Board decides on a landscape architect, the Committee plans to send a survey to homeowners for feedback concerning the renovation project. As we've said since chartering this committee, homeowner input will be a continual part of this process. I will keep you informed as the Committee progresses.

Signature Moving Forward on Entrance, Paint, Roadwork

California West Communities, developer of Signature at PGA WEST, says the gatehouse at their main entrance should be completed in September. You will continue to see construction in this area as they work to complete their entrance area on PGA Blvd.

At its last meeting, the Board authorized Cal West to paint the Signature wall in the proposed Dunn Edwards color, "Teddy Bear." The Board will decide on the perimeter wall paint color for the exterior of the entire PGA WEST community at the September meeting.

Plants along the Signature Development have become stressed in some areas due to a variety of factors such as the construction of the storm drain crossing, utility connections, wall repairs, etc. Replacing plant material along the Signature wall will take place during September when the weather permits. We appreciate your patience during this time.

Street revisions will remain in effect until Signature has completed its changes to the Boulevard. You will continue to see construction activity from the Private Clubhouse to the Tournament Clubhouse. Please always use caution when travelling the Boulevard. Re-paving in some of these hard-hit areas is scheduled for September. Cal West will bear all costs associated with its road work.

PGA WEST Staff to Open Manned Gates During Power Outages

Power outages during the summer months are a common occurrence. If you experience a power outage it is important that you contact Imperial Irrigation District at its emergency contact number for updates on the outage. That number is 760-391-5900.

During an outage, PGA WEST community patrol will open all manned entry and exit gates, allowing residents, guests and vendors to enter and exit the private residential communities. This is also a safety precaution so any emergency vehicle can access the community if needed. Once power is restored, our community patrol will close all manned entry and exit gates.

It is important to keep an emergency supply of water and food at your home in the event of an emergency. If the outage persists, you may want to find a cool place to go until power is restored.

Wildlife Present at PGA WEST

The peninsular desert bighorn sheep that are commonly seen in our area are protected by Federal and State Law. Because of this protection, it is illegal to purposely interact, herd, harass or confront them in any way. In addition, bighorn sheep can be dangerous. Please keep this in mind if you happen to come across one.

Because of our geographic location, you may also encounter other wildlife, including mountain lions, bobcats, coyotes and snakes. It is always a good idea to remain mindful that we share this desert region with wild animals.

Community Services Director, Robert Pantanella, has met with representatives from the

California Department of Fish & Wildlife on several occasions to discuss concerns of the Community and proper procedures for reporting sightings. Please report any incidents or sightings to our Command Center at 760-564-5452, and the California Department of Fish & Wildlife at 760-200-9158.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for 2 pm on Thursday, September 3, at the Res I office, 54320 Southern Hills. We'll post the agenda on our [website](#) and at the Master Association office four days before the meeting.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me. As always, I welcome your thoughts.

Whether you're here in the desert, away on vacation, or at your second home, I hope you're having a relaxing summer.

Best regards,

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