



## City Manager's Update

August 11, 2023

Greetings, all. It's going to get hot out next week. Please remember to stay hydrated, cool off frequently in the shade and air conditioning, if possible, and be aware of heat illness symptoms. Click [here](#) for more information on how to stay safe.





### ***Don't Miss Out!***

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- ❖ The Senior Foundation has started a monthly Bingo activity, the first Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. in the St Anthony's Community Room, so mark your calendars for September 7.
- ❖ Friday, August 25, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Woodland Community College Community Room 800, 2300 E. Gibson Way is Yolo County's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Farmworker Day Resource Fair. The event includes local resources, food, and live music. To register, email [Rodrigo.lopez@yolocounty.org](mailto:Rodrigo.lopez@yolocounty.org) or call 530-379-3465.
- ❖ Mark your calendars for November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:30 p.m. to celebrate the opening of the new Winters Meals on Wheels kitchen in the former Buckhorn Catering location next to Sutter Health on Main Street.

### ***Please Note:***

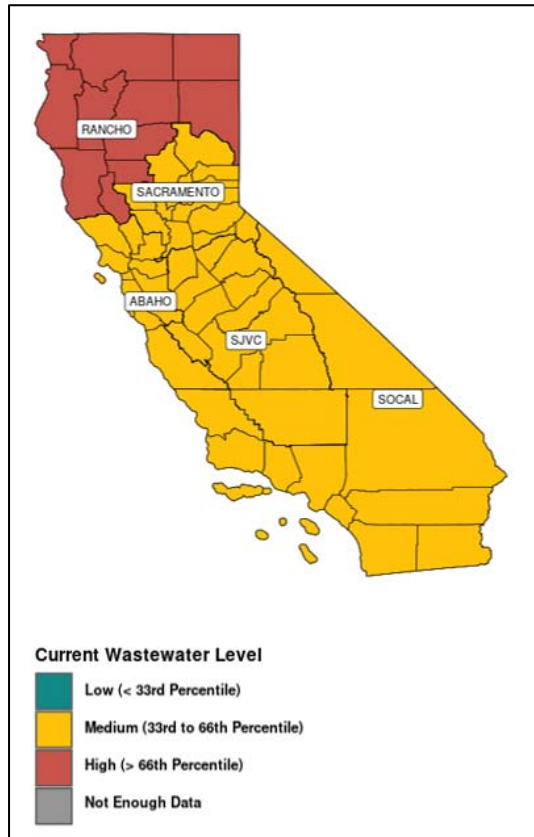
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- ❖ A local resident spotted a mountain lion across Dry Creek by Suffolk Place. Please click [here](#) for more information on how to protect yourself, pets, and livestock. Mountain lions are most active at dawn, dusk, and at night. If you see a lion, don't run, make noise, and try to look bigger by waiving your arms. This lion was reported to Animal Control. 
- ❖ West Nile Virus activity has been high in Yolo County this season, clustering primarily around Davis and to some degree Woodland. Protect yourself by using repellent outdoors, staying covered, fixing screens, and draining standing water (even small amounts). For more information and to sign up for aerial spraying alerts, please visit [www.fightthebite.net](http://www.fightthebite.net). 
- ❖ The City has some vacant positions. Please spread the word and apply if you're interested: Senior Planner, Chief Building Official, Fire Engineer, part-time Senior Accountant, and a City Manager! Please click [here](#) for more information.
- ❖ To share your thoughts on the qualifications for the next city manager, click [here](#) and follow the links to surveys in English and Spanish. The survey ends August 21. The results will be shared with the recruiter and City Council. The recruitment closes August 24. To date, the recruiter has received about 30 applications.
- ❖ Gun owners: Free gun locks are available at the Police Station, 700 Main Street.
- ❖ Night work will continue next week on Grant in front of the Chevron Station and Starbucks. Please drive carefully through the area.

## Upcoming Council Meeting

The August 15 Council meeting was cancelled to provide a brief break for staff and Council. The next Council meeting is September 5 and is shaping up to be a full agenda.

## COVID-19



While Winters wastewater is showing a reduction in COVID-19 presence, there is a new variant of interest (EG.5 or Eris) that is gaining dominance in the U.S. Most of California has moved into a medium level for the presence of COVID in wastewater, including Yolo County. So, if you're feeling yucky, have a sore throat, or allergy like symptoms, please test as a precaution. Free kits are still available next to City Hall.

If you do test positive, please note that quarantining regulations have changed:

- *Stay home and away from others for at least 5 days*
- *Can end isolation when symptoms improve and no fever for at least 24 hours*
- *No need to test negative at end of isolation*
- *Wear a mask around others through day 10*
- *Let your close contacts know so they can test 3-5 days after exposure and wear a mask for 10 days*

While the newer variants don't impact as severely as the original strain given our herd immunity, COVID

can still be extremely dangerous for immune-compromised and the elderly. Public health officials recommend vaccinating, boosting and masking if ill or at risk to increase your protection and those around you.

## FIRE PREVENTION & INSURANCE INFORMATION

Fire season is upon us. Please note the following taken from Supervisor Frerich's newsletter:

At this month's Fire Safe Council meeting, two California Department of Insurance representatives joined the meeting and shared resources and information that all Yolo County residents have access to:

1. **[Safer from Wildfires](#)**: Implementing fire safety and prevention measures in and around your property can help you access and save on insurance.
2. **[Home Insurance Finder Tool](#)**: This online service allows you to find insurance companies and licensed agents/brokers that are appointed with them who have been identified to sell homeowners, renters, condominium, or mobile home insurance.
3. **[The Residential Insurance Company Contact List](#)** provides toll free numbers for over 50 insurers that are licensed to sell homeowners insurance. You can contact each of them to find the closest agent or broker or, in some cases, get a quote from them directly.

Additionally, experts are available to help answer all your insurance questions both via phone at 800-927-HELP (4357) and via [email](#).