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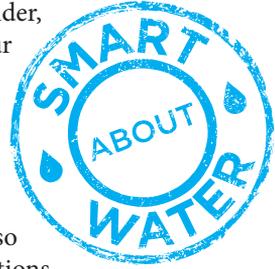
SMART ABOUT WATER QUICK FACT:

TMWA's three hydroelectric plants on the Truckee River produce clean, renewable energy while keeping as much as 15,000 metric tons of carbon out of our atmosphere every year! (That's the total carbon that would otherwise be produced from traditional energy—natural gas or coal.)

Because the plants produce nearly 80 percent of the energy TMWA uses, they help keep water rates lower while keeping pollutants out of the air. Not bad for century-old equipment!

RESOURCES ONLINE: SMARTABOUTWATER.COM FEATURES WATER RELATED NEWS AND EVENTS

As the region's primary water provider, TMWA understands that many of our customers are interested in water management beyond receiving water and paying a bill. To help provide insight into current water-related topics and events, smartaboutwater.com offers information not only from TMWA, but also other community partners and organizations that share the common thread of water stewardship in the Truckee Meadows.



Upon visiting the site, you will find information regarding water-efficient landscaping, conservation, water infrastructure projects, water resource planning, and more. Everyday offerings on the website include TMWA's Water Quality Look-up Map, Reserves Tracker and Water System Overview. Informative whitepapers and topic sheets are also only a click away.

August topics will be all about the area's groundwater. Visitors will gain insight into the region's aquifers and how this source offsets peak-season demand of the surface water supply. Visit www.smartaboutwater.com to see what's new.

VALLEY WOOD PARK WALKING TOUR FEATURES BIODIVERSE GARDENS



Come see how your lawn can be converted to a more biodiverse garden that will help our honey bees, monarch butterflies, and other important urban wildlife. The Valley Wood Park tour is September 7 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

The park is managed by the City of Reno Parks Division and is located near the corner of Mae Anne and Robb Drive at 6555 Valley Wood Drive in Reno. Participants are responsible for their own refreshments and transportation. The tour is free, but please be sure to make reservations via email at rsvp@tmwa.com or call (775) 834-8290.

LEARN ABOUT YOUR WATER: TOUR TMWA'S CHALK BLUFF WATER TREATMENT PLANT & VERDI HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANT

Learn how TMWA produces clean water and energy by touring TMWA's water treatment and hydroelectric plants this August and September. All tours are free and require only a reservation to attend.

Attendees of the Chalk Bluff Water Treatment Plant tour will meet our team of highly skilled engineers, scientists, and operators and find out how they work to provide our community with high-quality drinking water. Also see the steps it takes to get water from the Truckee River to the tap. Visitors will also learn about the more than 1,000 tests conducted every month to ensure that TMWA's water is of the highest quality.

Chalk Bluff has been recognized with the President's Award from the Partnership for Safe Water. With this award, the plant ranks among the highest-performing water treatment plants in the country. Sign up for one of our five tours: Tuesday, August 27 at 10:00 a.m.; Tuesday, September 10 at 3:00 p.m.; Tuesday, September 17 at 1:00 p.m.; Tuesday, September 24 at 10:00 a.m.; or Saturday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m.



Customers can also tour TMWA's Verdi Hydroelectric Power Plant, which has been producing clean, renewable energy for more than 100 years. Located upstream of the Chalk Bluff Water Treatment Plant, this hydroelectric plant harnesses the natural flow of the Truckee River to generate more than 2.3 megawatts of power with turbines that are more than 100 years old. Tours will take place on Wednesday, August 28 at 2:00 p.m.; Wednesday, September 4 at 10:00 a.m.; Saturday, September 14 at 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday, September 18 at 2:00 p.m.; and Wednesday, September 25 at 2:00 p.m.

These one-hour tours are free and open to all TMWA customers. Participants must be at least 18 years of age. Each tour is limited to 20 people, so please be sure to RSVP to rsvp@tmwa.com or call (775) 834-8290. Please note that these are lengthy walking tours that involve climbing a many flights of stairs and walking on uneven surfaces.

WHERE TO CALL

GENERAL INQUIRIES: 834-8080
EMERGENCY REPAIR: 834-8090
WATER CONSERVATION: 834-8005
WATER QUALITY: 834-8118
WATER RIGHTS: 834-8029
OMBUDSMAN: 848-0813



Truckee Meadows Water Authority is a not-for-profit, community-owned water utility, overseen by elected officials and citizen appointees from Reno, Sparks and Washoe County. TMWA employs a highly skilled team who ensure the treatment, delivery and availability of high-quality drinking water around the clock for more than 400,000 residents of the Truckee Meadows.

HOLIDAYS & EVENTS

TOURS OF CHALK BLUFF WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND VERDI HYDROELECTRIC PLANT THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.
SEE ARTICLE ABOVE.

STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 3 AT 3 P.M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18 AT 10 A.M.

Find locations and details for all workshops and meetings here: tmwa.com/meeting/

