



**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Scheduled Maintenance at Castaic Lake  
January 6-13 and January 27 – February 3**  
*SCV Water Customers Asked to Assist in Water Conservation Efforts*

SCV Water is asking customers to refrain from all outdoor water use during the weeks of January 6-13 and January 27 – February 3, 2025, due to scheduled maintenance on facilities at Castaic Lake that will restrict the Agency's imported water supply. The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) will be performing needed maintenance on its pipeline at Castaic Lake and must close SCV Water's connection to do so.

The SCV will rely exclusively on local groundwater sources and treated imported water already stored at reservoirs throughout the Valley for customers during this time. Ahead of the shutdown, SCV Water will fill its local storage facilities to capacity.

"About half of the SCV's water supply is local groundwater, while the other half is imported from the State Water Project and other sources," said Mike Alvord, SCV Water's Director of Operations and Maintenance.

During the shutdown, DWR will be shutting down the piping that allows SCV Water to receive water from Castaic Lake so DWR crews can safely complete their work. SCV Water has no planned maintenance or repair work associated with this shutdown.

**WATER SUPPLIES**

Alvord added, "With the scheduled shutdown of facilities, the water from Castaic Lake will be unavailable for use. The water will be in the lake; we just won't be able to receive it while DWR is performing maintenance."

Alvord also noted that this two-week conservation initiative is not a reflection of SCV Water's overall water supply. It's merely a response to the temporary disruption of water delivery while key infrastructure is taken out of service for needed repairs and maintenance. Once the work is complete, water from Castaic Lake will be available again.

**SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE**

SCV Water and DWR coordinate efforts for maintenance and repair projects on the water conveyance systems at Castaic Lake on an as-needed basis. This infrastructure is part of the system that delivers water from Castaic Lake to SCV Water for treatment and distribution for urban use.

SCV Water is taking the necessary steps to prepare and is asking all water users to refrain from irrigating those two weeks in January to help get through the repair period without any major issues, so that all customers can continue to receive reliable water service.

“DWR scheduled the project during the winter months when temperatures are mild, days are shorter and the need for outdoor irrigation is minimal,” added Alvord. “Outdoor water use is the single largest use of residential water, so turning off the irrigation is an easy way to help achieve essential water savings.”

“Municipal water systems operate around the clock, so regular maintenance of key infrastructure is of vital importance,” said Alvord. “Annual maintenance maximizes the life and performance of the infrastructure and reduces future operations and maintenance costs, all while ensuring a reliable water supply.”

For more information, visit: [yourSCVwater.com/castaic-lake-maintenance](http://yourSCVwater.com/castaic-lake-maintenance)

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**About SCV Water:**

The Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) is a full-service regional water agency located in the Santa Clarita Valley. SCV Water provides water service to approximately 75,000 business and residential customers. It was formed on January 1, 2018, when local water suppliers combined into one integrated, regional water provider. More information can be found at [www.yourSCVwater.com](http://www.yourSCVwater.com)

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