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COMMUNITY WATER FORUMS SCHEDULED IN JUNE TO FOCUS ON WATER SOLUTIONS

SONORA, CA: Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD) will be hosting three community water forums in June throughout Tuolumne County to focus on water solutions.

TUD ditch – Twain Harte, CA

The Community Water Council held a series of meetings during the Spring of 2015. This was a diverse group that included public utilities, environmental groups, public officials, and groups who play key roles in the community. During these meetings the group worked together to determine ideas that would help assure the water needs of the region can be met over the next 100 years. A number of ideas were presented, discussed, and debated. Working together, there were a set of proposed actions that were voted upon.

Community Water Council – Vote on recommendations: May 1, 2015 – Ranking Order

Each idea was given a score of 0-5 with 0 being worst and 5 being best. The results are below in order. Only items that scored in the top 50% (2.5 or better) are shown here.

	Total	Average
Improve the ditch system to increase efficiency	94	4.70
Reduce water loss within the piped systems	89	4.45
Make the flume from the Main Canal out of Lyons more reliable	89	4.45
Construct new off-stream storage	77	3.85
Review all reservoirs to increase capacity as is being done at Phoenix reservoir	63	3.15

Following up on the response from the Community Water Council, a series of Community Water Forums will be held in June to discuss water solutions for Tuolumne County. We are encouraging the public to attend and engage in an open discussion on water solutions. Listed below are the dates and locations for the community forums:

Dates	Location	Time
Wednesday, June 10th	**Sonora Opera Hall, Sonora**	**6-8pm**
Thursday, June 11th	**Columbia Elementary, Columbia**	**6-8pm**
Thursday, June 18th	**Tuolumne Memorial Hall, Tuolumne**	**6-8pm**

For more information visit, www.yourwaterchoices.com or contact Lisa Westbrook at Tuolumne Utilities District at 209-532-5536, ext. 501 or at lisaw@tudwater.com.

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