



VALLEY OF THE MOON WATER DISTRICT

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RE: State mandated installation of backflow devices

As you know, in order to comply with the State Water Resource Control Board Compliance Order, Valley of the Moon Water District (VOMWD) must require the installation of a backflow prevention device (also known as an RP device) in front of each home in your development (and adjacent HOAs). Through meetings and communications with your HOA and individual residents, we are aware of the complexities involved in meeting this mandate and the financial hardship it may cause some homeowners. The District empathizes with our customers who are struggling to move forward with the installation of their devices. We also recognize the financial burden associated with their installations.

To this end, VOMWD has received approval from our Board of Directors to offer a program that we hope will help. Through the "Water District Backflow Installation Program" (WDBIP), the District is offering to install the RP device for each homeowner for a total cost of \$1,200 per home. **While installation of a backflow preventer is State mandated, choosing whether to participate in this one-time offer to have VOMWD install your backflow preventer is voluntary.**

The advantages to this program are:

1. The total cost for each homeowners is fixed at \$1200 (25% down payment required) and includes the backflow device, expansion tank, HOA approved frost bag and lock, other materials as needed, concrete pad, all labor, initial certification, permits and inspections, and one-year warranty¹.
2. Financing is also being offered that allows qualified homeowners to spread the cost of the installation on their water bill over a two-year period at 1% interest¹.
3. Helps VOMWD ensure compliance with the installation timeframe mandated by the State Water Resource Control Board for mandatory compliance.

¹ See enclosed agreement for details

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VOMWD Compliance Timeframe with the State Compliance Order:

The State Water Resources Control Board has directed the District, through Compliance Order #02_18_17R_001 dated February 17, 2017, to adhere to the following backflow-compliance deadlines in order to avoid potential penalties or fines. These percentages apply to a combination of all three neighborhoods, Creekside, Temelec and Chantarelle.

1. A minimum of 25% of all homes must have BFP devices installed by October 31, 2017.
2. A minimum of 50% of all homes must have BFP devices installed by June 30, 2018.
3. A minimum of 75% of all homes must have BFP devices installed by March 1, 2019.
4. All 100% of all homes must have BFP devices installed by October 31, 2019

In order for VOMWD to be able to offer this price we need to perform bulk purchases and installations so we have a **final signup deadline of this July 31, 2017**. Down payments will be collected between August and September 2017 and installations will begin this October so VOMWD can meet the deadlines identified above. If you wish to use a private contractor, it is your responsibility to be sure all District installation specifications are met. If you have any questions please call the VOMWD office at (707) 996-1037.

Please return the enclosed agreement indicating whether you are going to participate in the Water District's Program or will be using a private contractor. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Daniel Muelrath
General Manager

For additional reference information please visit our website at:
www.vomwd.com/hoabackflow.php