

## Your District in Action

We've had a busy year since last June:

- We completed a mile-long asphalt overlay (resurfacing) on Crystal Blvd. north of Obrizo St. Work was done by Doug Veerkamp General Engineering as part of our cyclic renewal of all District roads. Cost exceeded \$410,000 – *nearly three years' worth of revenue!*
- We completed renovation of the north-Crystal Ditch and Crystal Curve drainage swale (see photo next page). This was a multi-year effort to prevent flooding of the busiest section of our busiest road during heavy rains. So far the renovated ditch has performed well through the 2024-25 winter season.
- We contracted with Cal Fire's Growlersburg crew to help manage roadside vegetation and maintain defensible space in the District's Common Area. At the northern end of Crystal, you can also see their most visible results along the southbound lane. Working with Cal Fire stretches our tax dollars as they provide their expert-crew services at very low cost to government agencies.
- We also applied patch repairs on Manganite, and vegetation removal and ditch cleaning at Dolomite & Manganite.

Our plan for 2025-26 is to continue vegetation and drainage management work before our next, big project – planned for summer 2026 - to complete repaving of Crystal Blvd. north to the County-road boundary.

Crystal Blvd. Overlay  
(looking south)



Crystal Swale  
Erosion Control



## Hello Neighbors!

I'm Marc Regelbrugge, President of your Golden West Community Services District (GWCSD) Board of Directors – your neighbors elected to oversee maintenance of about 8 miles of public roads in our Logtown neighborhood. In this newsletter, we want to share with you a few things about the District: what we do, how we work, and what we are planning to keep our community's transportation infrastructure in great shape.

The GWCSD is the County government agency formed by popular vote in April 1984 to maintain the public roads in the Golden West Paradise subdivisions (Units 2 and 5). The District is funded at about \$150,000 per year by a \$120 Special Tax on each parcel that uses the roads, and a portion of the County's property tax revenue collected from District residents. The \$120 Special Tax was enacted in 1984 and has not changed in the last 40 years. We use the funds to maintain our roadways and associated drainage infrastructure. About every 3-4 years, we undertake a resurfacing project to maintain the high quality of our District roadways, but this frequency will be difficult to keep as prices for asphalt and labor have risen dramatically.

More information about our District is on our web site: [www.gwcsd.org](http://www.gwcsd.org). We encourage you to visit the website and come to our meetings (schedule on the back). If you have questions, please give me a call or send me an email.

Wishing you all a wonderful and safe 2025!

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## The Elephant in the Room

The issue that neighbors bring up to us most frequently is *speeding on District roads* (usually Crystal Blvd.). CHP is responsible for speed-limit enforcement on District roads. We ask you to respect the posted 35-MPH speed limits. For offenders, our local CHP recommend notifying the Placerville Office at (530)748-2450 and ask for Officer Brown, or leave message with any officer. They ask to include time, closest road intersection, color and/or make of speeding or recklessly driving vehicle.

Please be considerate of your neighbors and drive carefully and responsibly – especially in the mornings and afternoons when school buses are traveling our roads and stopping (often) to pick up or drop off our children.

## What's an "Encroachment?"

You may have seen "Encroachment Permits Required" signs at the District entrances. These signs alert owners and their contractors that constructions in the road rights-of-way – typically 30-40 feet either side of the road centerline – require GWCSD permits!

The District requires permits for new encroachments onto any District road. Driveways are the most common type of encroachment, but fences, walls and even parked vehicles placed or stored in the right-of-way qualify. The permits are free of charge and are intended simply to ensure that encroachments will not impede or damage the roadway and that use of the encroachment will not compromise safety of the traveling public.

Please contact the District General Manager or President if you have any questions or are planning to construct an encroachment.

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