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## Oro Loma Sanitary District Wins State Collection System of the Year Award!

Earlier this year, Oro Loma was awarded the CWEA Award for the San Francisco Bay Collection System of the Year. Winners from the 19 regions in the State then advanced to the statewide competition. After undergoing an inspection and judging process, Oro Loma was awarded the statewide award. Oro Loma is the only four-time state winner in history. The District won the award previously in 2000, 2005, and 2010.

The District's application highlighted the District's safe work practices, high reliability, and productivity. The entire District has worked for nearly 7 years without a lost time injury. The collections crew undergoes continual safety training. In 2013, the District operated without a single overflow. Oro Loma is also a leader in productivity. In 2013, it cleaned 2,000,000 feet of sewer pipes. This is the equivalent of cleaning every pipe in the District every 9 months.

The award also reflects the contributions of the maintenance department, engineering, and administrative support staff. The maintenance department operates and maintains the District's 14 lift stations and keeps the collections vehicles running. Engineering is tasked with repairing or replacing pipes identified for repair during video inspections of the system by the collections crews. Finally, administrative support staff field calls from the public and route them to the field in a timely manner. The award reflects contributions from the entire District.

Oro Loma achieved this high honor because of its drive to be the best, the ability to work together as a team, and willingness to practice, practice, practice to become the best it can be.



Oro Loma wastewater collection crew that won the CWEA State Collection Crew Award for 2013