Oro Loma Awarded Again

Oro Loma Sanitary District has once again won the prestigious California Water Environment Association (CWEA) Collection System Award for best wastewater collection system of its size in the San Francisco Bay Area. The District has won the award every year it applied—in 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2004, and again in 2010.

Collection systems were judged on the following criteria:

- Regulatory Compliance
- Special Accomplishments
- Maintenance Program
- · Safety Program and Record
- Training Program
- Emergency Procedures
- Administrative Procedures

Judges were particularly impressed with the Collections Department's safety record of no lost-time injuries since September 2002, no sewer overflows for calendar year 2010, the over 160,000 feet of sewer line that is inspected and cleaned each month, and the close partnership between the collections and engineering departments that results in the overall high quality of the District's sewer system. All of this is accomplished with a Collections crew of six full-time employees, all of whom are CWEA-certified and participate in frequent safety and training programs.

Now that Oro Loma has won the San Francisco Bay Section's Collection System of the Year Award in the Medium Category (250-500 miles of sewer pipe), the District is being considered for the State Award in the same category. Oro Loma has won this award twice before, in 2000 and 2005. The winner of the State Award will be announced in April.



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