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## SSJID CONTINUING TO DELIVER WATER SUPPLIES WHILE TAKING ACTION TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

The South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) is taking action to prevent the transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19) based on the advice provided by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH).

SSJID will continue to provide irrigation water to our agricultural customers in and around Manteca, Ripon, and Escalon. SSJID will also continue to deliver safe and reliable, treated drinking water to the Cities of Lathrop, Manteca, and Tracy. Current treatment methods used by SSJID in our water treatment plant are sufficient to disinfect and remove contaminants, including COVID-19. SSJID is also developing operations plans to continue to deliver vital water resources while the threat of COVID-19 continues to grow.

Effective immediately, SSJID will be closing our lobby and main office in Manteca to the general public in order to further prevent the spread of COVID-19. We encourage our customers to pay bills online, by mail, or by utilizing the drop-box outside of the Manteca office. Our customers doing business with our Engineering Department are encouraged to contact Engineering via phone or email and utilize online options as necessary. Please know that our staff are still available to assist you via email or phone.

The SSJID Board of Directors remain scheduled to meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. SSJID website links and phone numbers are provided below.

Bill Pay –		
	Online:	www.ssjid.com/district-services/billing-and-customer-service/
	Mailing Addre	ess: P.O. Box 747, Ripon, CA 95366
	Phone:	(209) 249-4608
Engineering –		
	Online:	www.ssjid.com/district-services/construction-engineering/
	Phone:	(209) 249-4619
General Inquiries		
	Online:	www.ssjid.com
	Phone	(209) 249-4600

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The South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) was established in 1909 and is headquartered in Manteca, CA. SSJID provides agricultural irrigation water to about 56,000 acres surrounding Escalon, Ripon and Manteca, and wholesale drinking water to over 193,000 residents in Manteca, Lathrop, Tracy, and in the future, Escalon. SSJID, along with Oakdale Irrigation District, owns and operates the Tri-Dam Project, a series of storage reservoirs and generation facilities that produce zero-carbon hydropower in the Stanislaus River watershed. Learn more at <u>www.ssjid.com</u>.