

EDGEMONT COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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August 28, 2013

Riverside County Grand Jury
P.O. Box 829
Riverside, California 92502

Re: 2012-2013 Grand Jury Report: Riverside County Water and Sanitation Districts, Compensation and Transparency

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Edgemont Community Services District responds to the above described report as follows:

Finding No. 1. Not applicable to this District. The District does not provide any benefit package to members of its Board of Directors.

Finding No. 2. Agrees with the finding. The District does not have a website.

Finding No. 3. Not applicable to this District. The District holds its meeting on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Recommendation One. Not applicable to this District. The District does not provide any benefit package to members of its Board of Directors.

Recommendation Two. The recommendation requires further analysis because it will impose a substantial financial burden on the District. Initial and very preliminary investigation indicates that the start-up costs will be in the range of \$15,000 to \$25,000 and that monthly maintenance costs will be substantial. The District will pursue its investigation of the costs of a website and would anticipate a decision within the next six months. The District is the namesake (Edgemont) of a geographically small area, is well known in the area, has had its meeting place at the same location for over fifty years, and has 1,054 users of the sewer system. Notices of hearings on user charges for lighting and sewer are published in the local newspaper and mailed each year to all the ratepayers. Notice of the annual budget hearing is also published in the newspaper. The notice includes a date when the budget can be viewed by the public prior to the hearing. All notices are also posted at several public bulletin boards in the community. The small geographic size and closeness of the Edgemont community would seem to make a website an unnecessary burden on the ratepayers. However, as indicated above, the District will investigate the feasibility of a website.

Recommendation Three. Not applicable. The District holds its meetings on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Edgemont Community Services District

By Mike Addie
Michael Addie, President

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P.O. Box 5436
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January 23, 2014

Riverside County Grand Jury
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Re: 2012-2013 Grand Jury Report: Riverside County Water and Sanitation Districts, Compensation and Transparency


Ladies and Gentlemen:

Edgemont Community Services District further responds to the above described report with reference to Recommendation Two as follows:

The District has concluded that the costs of a website and its maintenance outweigh the benefits of such a site. As stated in our previous correspondence, the start-up costs would be in the range of \$15,000 to \$25,000 and the monthly maintenance costs would be substantial. The District is a geographically small area, is well known in the area, has had its meeting place at the same location for over fifty years, and has 1,054 users of the sewer system. The Board of Directors has concluded that a website would be an unnecessary burden on the ratepayers.

Respectfully submitted,

Edgemont Community Services District

By 
Michael Addie, President