

DEFINITIONS OF
THE SAN LORENZO WATER DISTRICT
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REVISION LIST

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- 1) Agricultural Well. Water wells used to supply water for irrigation or other agricultural purposes, including so called “stock wells”
- 2) Applicant. A person applying for water service.
- 3) Board. The Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley County Water District.
- 4) Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The District’s rolling 5-year plan to identify, prioritize and implement Capital improvements.
- 5) Commercial Property. The premises on which the customer is engaged in a business or trade.
- 6) Connection Fee. A fee to be paid by applicants for new water service connections determined by the Board of Directors.
- 7) Control Valve. A valve, independent of the District’s facilities, located in the customer’s piping as close to the meter as practicable, the operation of which will control the entire water supply from the meter.
- 8) Cross-Connection. Any physical connection between the piping system from the District service and that of any other water supply that is not or cannot be approved as safe and potable for human consumption, whereby water from the unapproved source may be forced or drawn into the District distribution main.
- 9) Curb Stop. A valve between the main and the meter for the use of the District in controlling the water supply too a customer.
- 10) Customer. A person supplied or entitled to be supplied with water service by the District.
- 11) Developer. A person who intends originally to construct and to develop, pursuant to a subdivision map of record, a tract of more than four separate parcels within the District.
- 12) District. The San Lorenzo Valley Water District.
- 13) Distribution Mains. Water supply lines in streets, alleys, and easements used for public and private fire protection and for general distribution of water.
- 14) Health Officer. The Santa Cruz County Health Officer or the County’s authorized representative.
- 15) Individual Domestic Well. A water well used to supply water for domestic need or individual residence or commercial establishment.
- 16) Industrial Well. Water wells used to supply industry on an individual basis.
- 17) Institutional Property. The property of a District customer who is an agency, district or other type of government entity.
- 18) Residential Property. Premises used for household residential purposes.
- 19) Residential Service. The supplying of water for residential purposes.
- 20) Extensions. The addition of distribution mains, exclusive of service connections, beyond existing facilities.
- 21) Mains. Pipelines located in streets, highways, or rights of way which are used to serve the general public.
- 22) Owner. The person owing the fee, or the person in whose name the legal title to real property appears by deed duly recorded in the County Recorder’s Office, or the person in possession of the property or buildings under claim of, or exercising acts of ownership over

the property for themselves or as executor, administrator, or guardian or trustee of the owner.

- 23) Person. An individual or a company, association, co-partnership or public or private corporation.
- 24) Premises. The integral property or area under single ownership, including improvements thereon, to which water service is or will be provided. Apartment houses and office buildings may be classified as single premises.
- 25) Private Fire Protection Service. Water service and facilities for building sprinkler systems, hydrants, hose reels and other facilities installed on private property for fire protection and the water available therefor.
- 26) Public Fire Protection Service. The service and facilities of the entire water supply, storage and distribution system of the District, including the fire hydrants affixed thereto, and the water available for fire protection, excepting house service connections and appurtenances thereto.
- 27) Rate Study. A periodic assessment conducted at the behest of the Board to assist in determining options for appropriate and necessary rates and fees and rate-and-fee structures.
- 28) Rebate. Subsidies provided to customers per District policies supporting selected water efficiency and water conservation measures.
- 29) Regular Water Service. Service that does not require an extension of District facilities or mainlines
- 30) Regular Water System. Water service and facilities rendered for normal residential and commercial purposes on a permanent basis, and the water available therefor.
- 31) Residential Property. Premises used for household residential purposes
- 32) Residential Service. The supplying of water for residential purposes
- 33) Safe Yield. The annual draft of water that can be withdrawn from an aquifer without producing some undesirable result.
- 34) Schedule of Rates and Charges. The entire body of effective rates, charges.
- 35) Service or Service Connection. The pipeline and appurtenant facilities such as the curb stop, meter and meter box all used to extend water service from a distribution main to premises. Where services are divided at the curb or property line to serve several customers, each such branch service shall be termed a separate service.
- 36) Temporary Water Service. Water service and facilities rendered for construction work and other uses of limited duration, and the water available therefor.
Water System. The distribution and transmission main, pumps, valves, hydrants, and storage facilities.
- 37) Water District. Includes the Board and such positions as the Board may create and fill from time to time.
- 38) Well or Water Well. Any artificial excavation constructed by any method for the purpose of extracting water from or injecting water into the underground, excluding the following:
 - Oil and gas wells
 - Geothermal wells

- Wells or Bores used for the purpose of dewatering excavation during construction or stabilizing hillsides or earth embankments