# Osage County R. W. D. #15 EVERY DROP COUNTS

# **Water News**

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### Rural Water District No. 15

1500 West Rogers Blvd.

Skiatook, OK 74070

# **Current News & Activity**

Many of our members who knew him personally were saddened by the recent, May 27, 2010, passing of long time District #15 Board Member Bobby C. McIntyre. The District's Board of Directors adopted a special Resolution June 11, 2010, "in recognition of its special appreciation to Bobby C. McIntyre and a life well lived." Mr. McIntyre served as a Director more than a decade – from January 12, 1999, until his recent death. The Board directed that the special Resolution be presented to Mr. McIntyre's family as "a permanent memorial of sincere gratitude for his life, public service and lifelong dedication to improving the communities he faithfully served."

You may have noticed that Rural Water District #15 recently repainted the tank that we inherited when we acquired the assets of the former R.W. D. # 11 in 1998 (in the West area of the District). Many of our Participating Members may not know or recall that the current District #15 is a conglomeration of several other RWD. In October, 1991, the District acquired the assets of the former R.W.D. #10, which was then dissolved. And, in September, 1993, the District similarly acquired the assets of the former R.W.D. #17, which was also then dissolved. As of today's date, we have 194.48 miles of line inside 155.47 square miles of area, serving 2,520 participating members.



# We're Moving

Because of our significant growth over the years, we have for some time been exploring the possiblity of relocating. We have simply outgrown our present facilities but are fortunate to have recently obtained a parcel that is twice as big as what we now have - approximately 4 acres - and were fortunate to be able to swap properties. Construction of new office facilities will start soon at the new location which will be 14435 E 52<sup>nd</sup> St. (directly South of the Flashing light at HWY 20 and Javine.)

The new facility will have a drive-thru window for payments, and a much larger parking area. The traffic congestion in front of the new office should be **much** less than customers and employees experience at the current location and thus provide our customers and employees with a safer and easier access.

During the move in phase later this year, the existing office will be closed for approximately 3-4 days to move desks and electronics and complete the final set-up. We will be asking for your patience during our move. As construction progresses, updates will be placed on the website to keep our customers informed.

Please visit our website at www.rwd15.com for online bill payment, forms and other current information.

### Conservation Tips

- Install a low flow showerhead and save up to 500 gallons per week.
- Turn the water off while you shampoo and condition your hair and you can save more than 50 gallons per week.
- Turn the water off while you brush your teeth and save 4 gallons per minute.
- Time your shower to keep it under 5 minutes and you'll save 1,000 gallons per month.
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## Why Is My Water Off?

This problem arises occasionally and it usually means one of three things.

- The District has shut the water off for an emergency repair.
- You might have a leak.
- Or in the winter months, your meter or pipes may be frozen.

You can call into the District Office or the after hours emergency number to report the problem. The phone might be busy with others having the same problem, but keep trying. We need to know! At various times it is necessary for the District to shut the main line valves off to repair a leak, add new lines and meters or test pipe pressure. We know that this is an inconvenience to you, but it must be done and we do appreciate your patience and cooperation. It is impossible to contact large numbers of customers when something takes place.



### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Closed Saturday & Sunday
Telephone Number - 918-396-2552
Fax Number - 918-396-2710
After Hours Emergency - 918-643-8141
Web Site - www.rwd15.com

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For your convenience, after hours payments may be made online or in the drop box at the District Office.

