

HHIA - Utility Report for Meeting on 2017.03.20

Main San Gabriel Key Water Well Level updates:

Historic Low: 172.20 ft. (As of 2016.09.30)

Historic High: 295.30 ft. on 1983.07.20 (Since entry of judgment in 1973)

Current: 182.70 ft. (As of 2017.03.10; only 61.87% vs High @ 295.30 ft.).

With all the rainfalls we have during the winter, some experts say “weekly changes in weather patterns don’t mean the drought is over.”

Related link: <http://www.watermaster.org/>

Rowland Water District

ALERT!

Unauthorized Online Bill Payment Services warning:

It has recently come to our attention that several websites have, without the District’s knowledge or consent, set up unauthorized bill payment sites, ...

Related link:

<http://www.rowlandwater.com/alert-unauthorized-online-bill-payment-services/>

Proposed Water Rate and Service Charge Changes EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2017 (Proposition 218 notice)

Related link:

<http://www.rowlandwater.com/water-rate-studies/>

SoCalGas Company

SoCalGas Launches Winter Rebate Program for ecobee Smart Thermostat Users Natural gas conservation program offers select customers with ecobee smart thermostats up to \$50 in rebates.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Feb. 21, 2017 – Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas) today announced a rebate program designed to help customers who have purchased and installed an ecobee smart thermostat conserve natural gas this winter.

The program, called the SoCalGas Advisory Thermostat Program, offers enrollees up to \$50 in rebates while helping them reduce their natural gas costs for home heating. It is active now through Mar. 31 of this year.

To be eligible for the rebate, program participants agree to allow minor adjustments to be made to their smart thermostat settings on days when a “SoCalGas Advisory” conservation event is called. SoCalGas manages the thermostats and makes adjustments remotely using a software platform developed by EnergyHub.

Participants are notified via email and within the ecobee smart thermostat, web portal and mobile app before any adjustments occur. During a “SoCalGas Advisory,” all customers are asked to immediately reduce their natural gas use to help lower the risk of possible natural gas and electricity shortages.

“We encourage customers to enroll in the SoCalGas Advisory Thermostat Program and take advantage of its benefits,” said Lisa Alexander, vice president of customer solutions and communications for SoCalGas. “This program provides customers with a simple and automatic way to help conserve natural gas at critical periods and receive up to \$50 in rebates at the same time.”

While many electric utilities offer demand response programs to reduce electricity demand from air conditioning during the summer months, this is the first rebate program of this type offered by a natural gas utility for gas heating. All owners of ecobee-registered smart thermostats with gas heating in SoCalGas' service territory who are not serviced by electric utility Southern California Edison are eligible for the rebate.

Participants will receive a \$25 rebate check just for signing up before Mar. 15 and another \$25 rebate as long as they remain enrolled through the completion of the program.

Additional information on the SoCalGas Advisory Thermostat Program, including registration and eligibility details, is available at www.ecobee.com/socalgas/. For more energy-saving tips, tools and programs, visit www.socalgas.com/save-money-and-energy.

About ecobee

ecobee Inc. introduced the world's first smart Wi-Fi thermostat to help millions of consumers live better and save more. With the introduction of ecobee3, the company was praised for its pioneering room sensor technology to deliver comfort in the rooms that matter most. With its latest innovation, the ecobee3 lite, the company has made industry leading smart thermostat technology available at \$80 less than leading competition. In 2016, ecobee achieved the No. 1 ranking on Navigant's Smart Thermostat Leaderboard. Find out more at ecobee.com.

About EnergyHub

EnergyHub is the connected home solution for utilities. EnergyHub's mission is to ensure that utilities get maximum value out of connected devices and the smart home. EnergyHub's industry-leading Bring Your Own Thermostat® (BYOT) demand response service helps utilities take advantage of customer-installed devices to rapidly launch and scale a load control program, while our direct install demand response capability allows utilities to deploy a branded connected thermostat experience. Dozens of utilities rely on EnergyHub to deliver critical demand response services. EnergyHub is an independent subsidiary of Alarm.com, the leading technology provider of connected home solutions. For more information, visit www.energyhub.com.

Disclaimer: The SoCalGas Advisory Thermostat Program is administered by Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. Program funds, including any funds for rebates or incentives, will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis until such funds are no longer available. This program may be modified or terminated without prior notice. Eligibility requirements apply. Customers who choose to participate in this program are not obligated to purchase any additional goods or services offered by ecobee or any other third party. SoCalGas does not endorse, qualify, or guarantee ecobee's or any other third party's products or services and shall not be liable or responsible for any claims arising out of or related to the purchase, installation, use or performance of any such products. Limit of one \$50 incentive per individual residence. Other restrictions may apply.

Related link:

<http://sempra.mediaroom.com/index.php?s=19080&item=137259>

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<http://www2.socalgas.com/news-room/news-releases.shtml>

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