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The Script

Nationwide Chlorine

Shortage Pool Closure Possible

We have been informed by our pool servicer that there is a severe nationwide chlorine shortage that may affect whether chlorinated pools can remain open. Our pool may need to shut down if liquid chlorine supply runs out.

Although we have been able to secure some product from creative sourcing, we may not have enough product to get through the summer.

The shortage has been cause by several factors however, the biggest cause was a fire that broke out last August at one of the largest chlorine manufacturers in the US located in Louisiana. Also durring the pandemic construction of in ground pools has increased over 21% and the demand for spas and hot tubs is up 400%. All of this with the hot summer months has created tough supply conditions.

Many factors reduce the longevity of chemicals in the pool making it harder to save chlorine supplies. Please make sure that you share this information with everyone in you family so that they understand how important it is to have everyone do their part.

The following are very important

things that we can do to help our pool stay open and retain enough supply to get through these challenging times.

 All persons must wear appropriate swimwear. Wearing regular cloths contain

laudry detergent that is a big way to deplete pool chlorine.



- No disposable diapers in the pool. Please use "Swim Diapers". Regular diapers break down in the pool and do not protect from leakage.
 - Parents please check with kids often to make sure if they need to go to the bathroom that

you get them out of the pool.

- 4. DO NOT hold the gate open for people. Your key says you live here and you might be letting in people who don't live here to deplete our chlorine.
- Put on sun tan lotion 30 minutes before you go into the pool to let the lotion soak into your skin. It will wash off in the pool and use up chlorine.
- 6. Limit the amount of guests you bring to the pool. If the usage becomes to great then the pool may have to close.
- 7. **This is your pool** and we hope that you take care of it and appreciate it.

We will do our best to remain open and chlorinated and appreciate your help in helping us do that for you.

Protect Your Property Values Apartment Project in Area

Santa Barbara County is currently proposing a large 3 story apartment building project that is planned to

be built on the property directly behind the existing Casitas Village condominiums. The proposed project would create 173 apartments on the 7 acres that currently houses 4 homes and the Bailard

Organic Farm. In stark contrast, Villa Del Mar HOA has 230 condominiums on 36 acres. This new project is being touted as an affordable housing project, however, only 41 of the apartments would be deemed affordable. The others would rent for top dollar. Surrounding area residents think this project is wrong for Carpinteria and is definitely not acceptable for this location. The apartment complex could potentially create more traffic, especially on Bailard Ave., cause major parking problems and block beautiful mountain views.



The Bailard Farm is one of the contributors to the Farm Cart here in Carpinteria and helps provide produce for the 1500 weekly farm boxes that are distributed

here in Carpinteria and Santa Barbara.

Do to liability reasons the association itself is advised not speak out against the proposed project, however, we encourage Individual homeowners

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<u>Street Sweeping Day:</u> REMINDER: NO PARKING in the alleys and Driveways at VDM during this time. Street sweeping day is the 3rd Wednesday of every month. This month it is <u>Wednesday, August</u> <u>18, 2021</u>. Please do not park on the city streets between 8:00am -10:00am. The City will issue parking tickets which are about \$45.

<u>General Board Meeting</u>: Currently there is no meeting scheduled in August.

Important Days in August: August 5th – National Oyster Day, August 15th- Relaxation Day, August 31st- National Eat Outside Day.



(concerned citizens) to be heard. To learn more about the proposed project and sign the petition against this project, go to: <u>www.savebailardfarm.com</u>

Ecola Treatment Buildings to be Initially Treated

Ecola will be initially treating the buildings below. The process will take most of the day. We will send instruction to each unit approximately 2 weeks ahead of the treatment dates. **Buildings to be initially treated this year are:**

Treatment Dates:

August 24th: 1024, 1042, 1075, 1080 & 1092

August 26th: 1018, 6008, 6039, 6048, 6075 & 6099

If your building is not on this list, you will receive a notice later this year for warranty treatment.

No Washing of Cars & Patios at VDM Severe Drought Restrictions

As a reminder, there is no washing of cars on VDM property. Please use local car washes. Also do not hose down patio or carports. With the continual severe drought and increase in water costs we may have to impose a fine. The water dist. Can fine VDM for excessive water use. Thank you for your help.

