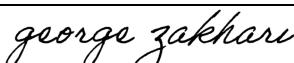


## APPENDIX B: eCCR Certification Form (Suggested Format)

### Consumer Confidence Report Certification Form (To be submitted with a copy of the CCR)

Water System Name:	GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY - Claremont
Water System Number:	CA1910024

The water system named above hereby certifies that its Consumer Confidence Report was distributed on July 1, 2025 to customers (and appropriate notices of availability have been given). Further, the system certifies that the information contained in the report is correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data previously submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW).

Certified by: Name: George Zakhari	Title: Water Quality Engineer
Signature: 	Date: September 24, 2025
Phone number: (909) 592-4271	

*To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate:*

- CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery methods (attach description of other direct delivery methods used).
- CCR was distributed using electronic delivery methods described in the Guidance for Electronic Delivery of the Consumer Confidence Report (water systems utilizing electronic delivery methods must complete the second page).
- "Good faith" efforts were used to reach non-bill paying consumers. Those efforts included the following methods:
  - Posting the CCR at the following URL: [www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports/](http://www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports/)
  - Mailing the CCR to postal patrons within the service area (attach zip codes used)
  - Advertising the availability of the CCR in news media (attach copy of press release)
  - Publication of the CCR in a local newspaper of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published)
  - Posted the CCR in public places (attach a list of locations)

- Delivery of multiple copies of CCR to single-billed addresses serving several persons, such as apartments, businesses, and schools
- Delivery to community organizations (attach a list of organizations)
- Publication of the CCR in the electronic city newsletter or electronic community newsletter or listserv (attach a copy of the article or notice)
- Electronic announcement of CCR availability via social media outlets (attach list of social media outlets utilized)
- Other (attach a list of other methods used)
- For systems serving at least 100,000 persons: Posted CCR on a publicly-accessible internet site at the following URL: \_\_\_\_\_
- For privately-owned utilities: Delivered the CCR to the California Public Utilities Commission

### **Consumer Confidence Report Electronic Delivery Certification**

*Water systems utilizing electronic distribution methods for CCR delivery must complete this page by checking all items that apply and fill-in where appropriate.*

- Water system mailed a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available website where it can be viewed (attach a copy of the mailed CCR notification). URL: <http://www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR>
- Water system emailed a notification that the CCR is available and provides a direct URL to the CCR on a publicly available site on the Internet where it can be viewed (attach a copy of the emailed CCR notification). URL: <http://www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR>
- Water system emailed the CCR as an electronic file email attachment.
- Water system emailed the CCR text and tables inserted or embedded into the body of an email, not as an attachment (attach a copy of the emailed CCR).
- Requires prior DDW review and approval.* Water system utilized other electronic delivery method that meets the direct delivery requirement.

*Provide a brief description of the water system's electronic delivery procedures and include how the water system ensures delivery to customers unable to receive electronic delivery.*

In our continuing efforts to better serve our customers, conserve resources, and reduce costs, Golden State Water Company chose to utilize electronic delivery of the annual Consumer Confidence Reports (CCRs) as allowed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water. Notices regarding the availability of the CCR were mailed to customers as a bill insert, and also emailed to all customers receiving electronic bills. These notices, printed and emailed in both English and Spanish, directed people to the URL for

*viewing the CCR online, and also gave them information on how to request a hard copy of the CCR.*

*This form is provided as a convenience and may be used to meet the certification requirement of section 64483(c) of the California Code of Regulations.*

# CPUC Delivery Letter

June 20, 2025

California Public Utilities Commission  
ATTN: Terence Shia, P.E.  
Director, Water Division  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, California 94102

To: Terence Shia

Enclosed, please find printed versions of Golden State Water Company's 2025 Consumer Confidence Reports for 2024 and a list of each water system owned and operated by our company.

The Consumer Confidence Reports were delivered to the respective water customers during June 2025. The reports are available at each local water system office, the District offices of Golden State Water Company, and may be viewed on our website at [www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports](http://www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports). Please let us know if you would like hard copies to be mailed to your office.

Should you have any further questions in this matter, you may contact me at (714) 514-5210 ([sunil@gswater.com](mailto:sunil@gswater.com)), or Dawn White at (916) 853-3615 ([dawn.white@gswater.com](mailto:dawn.white@gswater.com)).

Sunil Pillai,

*Sunil Pillai*

Vice President, Environmental Quality

Enclosure

List of Golden State Water Systems

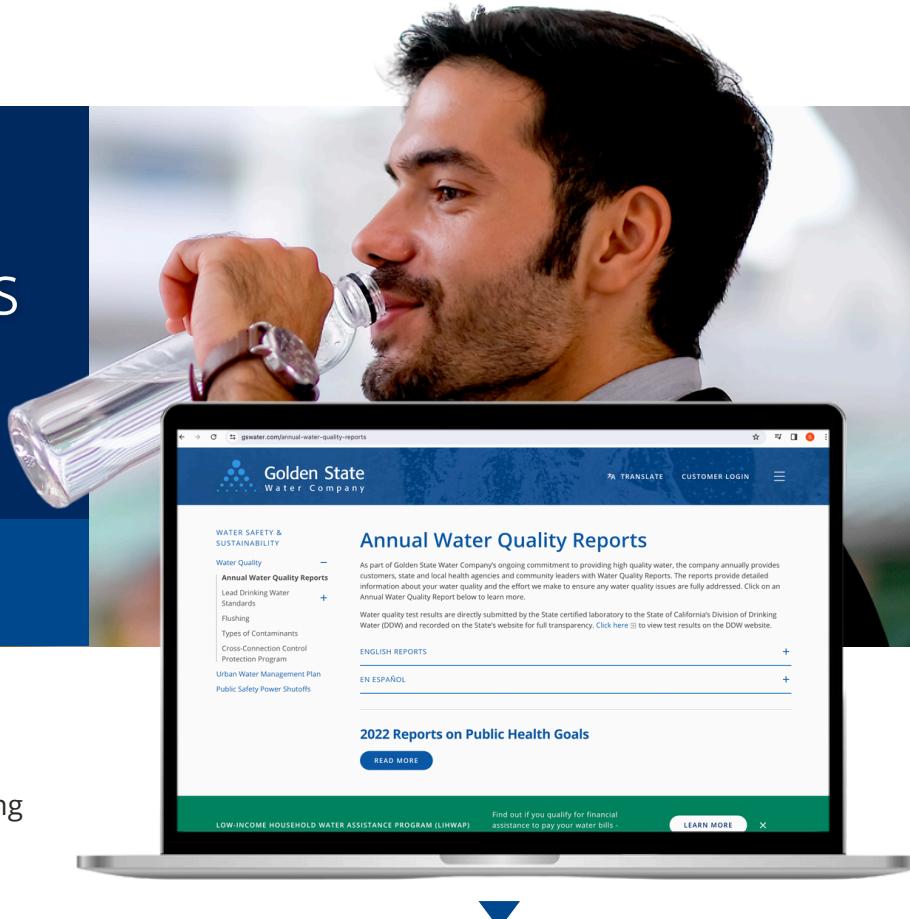
1. Apple Valley North
2. Apple Valley South
3. Arden
4. Artesia
5. Barstow/Lenwood
6. Bay Point
7. Bell/Bell Gardens
8. Calipatria
9. Claremont
10. Clearlake
11. Cordova
12. Cowan Heights
13. Culver City
14. Cypress Ridge
15. Desert View
16. Edna Road
17. Florence-Graham
18. Hollydale
19. Lake Marie
20. Los Osos
21. Lucerne
22. Morongo Del Norte
23. Morongo Del Sur
24. Nipomo (Vista)
25. Norwalk
26. Orcutt
27. Placentia-Yorba Linda
28. Robbins
29. San Dimas
30. San Juan Oaks
31. Simi Valley
32. Sisquoc
33. South Arcadia
34. South San Gabriel
35. South Shore
36. Southwest
37. Tanglewood
38. West Orange
39. Willowbrook
40. Wrightwood

# Bill Insert

# CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORTS AVAILABLE NOW!



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[gswater.com](http://gswater.com)



## The Consumer Confidence Report

The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires Golden State Water Company to provide its customers. The CCR introduces customers to the quality of their drinking water, its origin, and the efforts required by Golden State Water Company to deliver quality, reliable water. The State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Drinking Water is comprised of highly trained water quality experts who closely monitor all water testing and have confirmed that Golden State Water's water meets all water quality standards and is safe to drink.

You can view your 2025 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water by visiting our website. You can find a direct URL link in the message center on the back of your water bill. You can also find the URL link for your system in the table on the reverse side of this page.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2025 CCR mailed to your address or to speak with someone about the report, please call **1-800-999-4033** or email [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).



El informe de Confianza del Consumidor o CCR, es un informe anual de la calidad de agua potable que el Decreto de Agua Potable Sana requiere que Golden State Water Company le provee.



El CCR presenta a los clientes la calidad de su agua potable, su origen y los esfuerzos requeridos por Golden State Water Company para entregar agua confiable y de calidad.



La División de Agua Potable de la Junta Estatal de Control de Recursos Hídricos está compuesta por expertos altamente capacitados en la calidad del agua que monitorean de cerca todas las pruebas de agua y han confirmado que el agua de Golden State Water cumple con todos los estándares de calidad del agua y es segura para beber.

**Apple Valley North Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/AppleValleyNorthCCR](http://www.gswater.com/AppleValleyNorthCCR)

**Apple Valley South Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/AppleValleySouthCCR](http://www.gswater.com/AppleValleySouthCCR)

**Arden Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/ArdenCCR](http://www.gswater.com/ArdenCCR)

**Artesia Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/ArtesiaCCR](http://www.gswater.com/ArtesiaCCR)

**Barstow Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/BarstowCCR](http://www.gswater.com/BarstowCCR)

**Baypoint Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/BaypointCCR](http://www.gswater.com/BaypointCCR)

**Bell-Bell Gardens Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/BellBellGardensCCR](http://www.gswater.com/BellBellGardensCCR)

**Calipatria Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/CalipatriaCCR](http://www.gswater.com/CalipatriaCCR)

**Claremont Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR](http://www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR)

**Clearlake Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/ClearlakeCCR](http://www.gswater.com/ClearlakeCCR)

**Cordova Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/CordovaCCR](http://www.gswater.com/CordovaCCR)

**Cowan Heights Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/CowanHeightsCCR](http://www.gswater.com/CowanHeightsCCR)

**Culver City Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/CulverCityCCR](http://www.gswater.com/CulverCityCCR)

**Cypress Ridge Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/CypressRidgeCCR](http://www.gswater.com/CypressRidgeCCR)

**Desert View Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/DesertViewCCR](http://www.gswater.com/DesertViewCCR)

**Edna Road Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/EdnaRoadCCR](http://www.gswater.com/EdnaRoadCCR)

**Florence-Graham Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/FlorenceGrahamCCR](http://www.gswater.com/FlorenceGrahamCCR)

**Hollydale Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/HollydaleCCR](http://www.gswater.com/HollydaleCCR)

**Lake Marie Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/LakeMarieCCR](http://www.gswater.com/LakeMarieCCR)

**Los Osos Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/LosOsosCCR](http://www.gswater.com/LosOsosCCR)

**Lucerne Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/LucerneCCR](http://www.gswater.com/LucerneCCR)

**Morongo Del Norte Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/MorongoDelNorteCCR](http://www.gswater.com/MorongoDelNorteCCR)

**Morongo Del Sur Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/MorongoDelSurCCR](http://www.gswater.com/MorongoDelSurCCR)

**Nipomo Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/NipomoCCR](http://www.gswater.com/NipomoCCR)

**Norwalk Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/NorwalkCCR](http://www.gswater.com/NorwalkCCR)

**Orcutt Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/OrcuttCCR](http://www.gswater.com/OrcuttCCR)

**Placentia-Yorba Linda Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/Placentia-YorbaLindaCCR](http://www.gswater.com/Placentia-YorbaLindaCCR)

**Robbins Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/RobbinsCCR](http://www.gswater.com/RobbinsCCR)

**San Dimas Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/SanDimasCCR](http://www.gswater.com/SanDimasCCR)

**San Juan Oaks Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/SanJuanOaksCCR](http://www.gswater.com/SanJuanOaksCCR)

**Simi Valley Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/SimiValleyCCR](http://www.gswater.com/SimiValleyCCR)

**Sisquoc Water System**  
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**South Arcadia Water System**  
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**South San Gabriel Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/SouthSanGabrielCCR](http://www.gswater.com/SouthSanGabrielCCR)

**South Shore Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/SouthshoreCCR](http://www.gswater.com/SouthshoreCCR)

**Southwest Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/SouthwestCCR](http://www.gswater.com/SouthwestCCR)

**Tanglewood Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/TanglewoodCCR](http://www.gswater.com/TanglewoodCCR)

**West Orange County Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/WestOrangeCountyCCR](http://www.gswater.com/WestOrangeCountyCCR)

**Willowbrook Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/WillowbrookCCR](http://www.gswater.com/WillowbrookCCR)

**Wrightwood Water System**  
[www.gswater.com/WrightwoodCCR](http://www.gswater.com/WrightwoodCCR)

# Sample Bill



SERVICE FOR

[REDACTED]  
Claremont CA 91711

ACCOUNT NUMBER

[REDACTED]  
BILL DATE  
June 13, 2025DUE DATE  
July 07, 2025

Page 1 of 2

**Customer Service - 24 Hours: (800) 999-4033 www.gswater.com**

Hearing Impaired TTY: (877) 933-9533

Preguntas? Llame al Centro de Servicio al Consumidor al **(800) 999-4033**Visit **gswater.com** to enroll for service updates via **e-newsletter**.**Mail Payments to NEW Address: P.O. Box 51133, Los Angeles, CA 90051-1133.** To learn about the various Payment Options we offer go to: [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) or see back of bill

Account Summary		
Previous Balance		\$110.06
Payments	<b>5-22-25 Thank You</b>	-\$110.06
Current Charges	Due On July 7, 2025	\$223.85
<b>Total Amount Due</b>		\$223.85

**Current Activity****Rate Schedule R3-1-R (R31RM)**

Service Charge	Sprinkler 1 1/2" TO 1"	
Service Charge 62 Days		\$188.71
<b>Water Usage</b>		
Tier 1 - Water Usage - 4.00 CCF at \$4.502		\$18.01
<b>Surcharges, Fees, &amp; Credits</b>		
CAP Prog Adm Surcharge - 4.00 CCF at \$0.147		\$0.59
WRAM/MCBA Surcharge/credit		\$1.80
Other Surcharges/credits		\$1.71
City Tax - Claremont 5.5% of \$210.82		\$11.60
CPUC Fee - 0.68% - 62 Days of \$210.82		\$1.43
<b>Total New Charges</b>		<b>\$223.85</b>

Drought Stage 1			
Usage History (One CCF = 7.48 CGL or 748 gallons)			
Bill Period	2020 Usage	Target Usage *	Actual Usage
Prior	0 CCF or 0.00 CGL	8 CCF or 59.84 CGL	2 CCF or 14.96 CGL
Current	1 CCF or 7.48 CGL	17 CCF or 127.16 CGL	4 CCF or 29.92 CGL
Next	1 CCF or 7.48 CGL	8 CCF or 59.84 CGL	

The Stage 1 TARGET USAGE (your allocation) for the PRIOR and CURRENT period is voluntary and based on the number of days of the bill period.

**Read and Usage Information**

Meter	Service Period	Days	Previous Reading	Current Reading	CCF Usage
MM [REDACTED]	Apr 11	Jun 12	62	290	294

Your next scheduled meter read date is approximately July 14, 2025

*Your opinion is very important to us. Please rate our service by calling 1-888 933 8648. Enter code 141 when prompted.*

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

**PO BOX 9016  
SAN DIMAS CA 91773-9016****CEBILL**

If you have changed your address or are moving, please call (800) 999-4033 or fill out form on back.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: [REDACTED]

Torrance, CA 90501-2401

Current Charges Due On July 7, 2025

Total Amount Due

\$223.85

**Amount Enclosed****GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
PO BOX 51133  
LOS ANGELES CA 90051-1133**

The state of California is experiencing drought conditions, and all water customers are encouraged to use water responsibly and reduce usage. FOR INFORMATION ON THE DROUGHT, conservation and local requirements, please visit [www.gswater.com/drought](http://www.gswater.com/drought).  
Phone (909) 399-5453 regarding city taxes on your bill.

To view your 2025 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water, please visit: [www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR](http://www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR)  
Watering Days: EVEN ADDRESSES (0,2,4,6,8): Sunday, Wednesday, Friday ODD ADDRESSES (1,3,5,7,9): Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.

Effective May 1, 2025, the WRAM&MCBA temporary surcharge has decreased due to the annual recalibration. The current surcharge will expire on the same day. For more information, visit [www.gswater.com/advice-letters-0](http://www.gswater.com/advice-letters-0)

#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

Go to [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) for payment options, authorized locations, and auto pay application form.

- ◆ **Auto Pay (Electronic Funds Transfer):** Submit an application to pay your bill automatically from a checking or savings account.
- ◆ **Online:** Receive bills online and pay electronically by using "MyGSWater". Go to: [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) or call (800) 999-4033.
- ◆ **Phone:** Call KUBRA EZ-PAY at (844) 706-7690. KUBRA EZ-PAY accepts ATM, Visa, MasterCard, Discover or electronic check.
- ◆ **Mail:** Send bill stub and payment in enclosed envelope.
- ◆ **In Person:** Visit [www.gswater.com/payment-options](http://www.gswater.com/payment-options) to find a KUBRA EZ-PAY agent to make a Cash Payment (service fee applies).

#### **BILL TERMS AND POLICY OF DISCONTINUATION OF RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FOR NONPAYMENT**

The bill is due and payable upon date of presentation. It will become past due if not paid within 19 days from the date of mailing. A cash deposit and reconnection charge may be required to re-establish credit and service.

To avoid disconnection of residential service for nonpayment, customers can call Golden State Water to request a one-time payment extension or set-up a payment plan by contacting our Customer Service Center at (800) 999-4033. For more information on the Policy of Discontinuation of Residential Services please visit <https://www.gswater.com/policy-of-discontinuation> available in multiple languages.

#### **WRAM/MCBA SURCHARGE/SURCREDIT**

The Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM) and Modified Cost Balancing Account (MCBA) ensure revenue recovered from rates balances with expenses to operate, maintain and improve the water system. For more info, please visit [gswater.com/rates-schedules-and-tariffs](http://www.gswater.com/rates-schedules-and-tariffs).

#### **DROUGHT INFORMATION**

The state of California is experiencing drought conditions, and all water customers are encouraged to use water responsibly and reduce usage. For information on the drought, conservation and local requirements, please visit [www.gswater.com/drought](http://www.gswater.com/drought).

**DISPUTING YOUR BILL:** If you believe there is an error on your bill or **have a question about your service, please call Golden State Water Company customer support at (800) 999-4033.** We welcome the opportunity to assist you. If after contacting us, you are still not satisfied with Golden State Water Company's response, you may submit a complaint to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) by visiting <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/complaints/>. Billing and service complaints are handled by the CPUC's Consumer Affairs Branch (CAB), which can be reached by the following means if you prefer not to submit your complaint online:

Telephone: 1-800-649-7570 (8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday)

Mail: California Public Utilities Commission, Consumer Affairs Branch, 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2003, San Francisco, CA 94102

If you have limitations hearing or speaking, dial 711 to reach the California Relay Service, which is for those needing direct assistance relaying telephone conversations, as well their friends, family, and business contacts. If you prefer having your calls immediately answered in your mode of communication, dial one of the toll-free language-specific numbers below to be routed to the California Relay Service provider.

Language	Type of Call	Toll-free 800 Number
English	TTY/VCO/HCO to Voice Voice to TTY/VCO/HCO From or to Speech-to-Speech	1-800-735-2929 1-800-735-2922 1-800-854-7784
Spanish	TTY/VCO/HCO to Voice Voice to TTY/VCO/HCO	1-800-855-3000

To avoid having service turned off while you wait for the outcome of a complaint to the CPUC **specifically regarding the accuracy of your bill**, please contact CAB for assistance. If your case meets the eligibility criteria, CAB will provide you with instructions on how to mail a check or money order to be impounded pending resolution of your case. You must continue to pay your current charges while your complaint is under review to keep your service turned on. The Commission will not, however, accept deposits when the dispute appears to be over matters that do not directly relate to the accuracy of the bill. Such matters include the quality of the utility's service, general level of rates, pending rate applications and sources of fuel or power.

#### **PLEASE INDICATE ANY CHANGES**

**Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**City:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**State:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Zip:**

**Home Phone:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Work Phone:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Email:**

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## Sample Electronic Mail for eBill Customers

**From:** [Golden State Water Company](#)  
**Subject:** Consumer Confidence Reports Are Now Available  
**Date:** Monday, June 2, 2025 2:03:06 PM

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**This Message Is From An External Sender**

This message came from outside the company. Do not open any attachments unless you expected this message. Do not click links unless you are sure they are safe.

EXTERNAL EMAIL

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## Message from Golden State Water Company

Dear Valued Customer,

Golden State Water is pleased to announce that Consumer Confidence Reports are now available. The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires Golden State Water Company to provide to you. The purpose of the CCR is to raise customer awareness of the quality of your drinking water, where your drinking water comes from, what it takes to deliver water to your homes, and the importance of protecting drinking water sources. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2025 CCR mailed to your mailing address or would like to speak with someone about the report, please call 1- 800-999-4033 or email [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).

You can view your 2025 Consumer Confidence Report and learn more about your drinking water by visiting the following URL: [www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR](http://www.gswater.com/ClaremontCCR)

El informe de Confianza del Consumidor o CCR, es un informe anual de la calidad de agua potable que el Decreto de Agua Potable Sana requiere que Golden State Water Company le provea. El

objetivo del CCR es aumentar la conciencia de los consumidores acerca de la calidad de su agua potable, de donde viene el agua potable, lo que se necesita para distribuir agua a su hogar, y la importancia de proteger fuentes de agua potable. Este informe contiene información importante acerca del origen y la calidad de su agua potable.

Si desea una copia en papel del CCR del 2025 enviado por correo a su dirección o si desea hablar con alguien sobre el informe, llame al 1-800-999-4033 o por correo electrónico a [waterquality@gswater.com](mailto:waterquality@gswater.com).

Sincerely,  
Golden State Water Company

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Golden State Water Company

# Newspaper Proof of Publication

# City seeks applicants for committees

The City of Claremont is seeking applicants for its planning commission, committee on aging, committee on human relations, and Independence Day committee.

Applications are at [claremontca.gov](http://claremontca.gov), search "commission application."

Those applying for the planning commission, which advises Claremont City Council on topics pertaining to developments in the city, should respond by Thursday, July 3.

Applications are due July 31 for the committee on aging, which promotes senior and

intercultural societal advocacy; the committee on human relations, which advises the community and human services commission on the communal atmosphere; and the Independence Day committee, which advises the community and human services commission on Fourth of July celebration matters.

Qualifications include Claremont residency (with some exceptions), an interest in the community and commission, and the ability to give one's time.

For more information call (909) 399-5461 or (909) 399-5463, or visit at [claremontca.gov](http://claremontca.gov) and search "commission application."



Claremont City Hall. Courier file photo

## Letters continued from page 6

### Wilderness Park is accident waiting to happen

**Dear editor:**

"One dead, another paralyzed — bicycle collides with hiker in Claremont Wilderness Park"

I predict the Courier will be running that headline sometime in the next 10 years if the rules aren't changed.

The Claremont Hills Wilderness Park has topography that makes for a particularly dangerous interaction between hikers and bicycles (let alone horses!).

When an accident happens, it will largely be attributable to just one factor: a bicyclist racing downhill around a blind turn without ringing their bell, who then

encounters a group of hikers coming uphill. Maybe it will be one group of hikers attempting to pass another on the left.

No matter which side of the road they are on, groups of hikers who encounter each other will never collide. The problem is bicycles traveling at excessive speed combined with steep grades and curves with limited visibility. The rangers in their trucks are aware of this problem. They sound their horn gently at every blind turn.

The City of Claremont is also aware of this problem. It has erected new signage, sent out flyers to every household in the city detailing proper trail etiquette, made warning bells available at the park entrance and threatened to eject visitors who don't

obey the rules.

Despite these admonitions, some bicyclists continue to race downhill, around blind corners, without using a bell. It happened to me yesterday while walking in the park.

Having acknowledged the obvious potential for catastrophe, the city will bear considerable legal liability when the inevitable accident occurs.

Adding electric bicycles to the mix is the last straw!

**Marc Merritt**  
Claremont

### ICE raids terrorize, but also create opportunity

**Dear editor:**

I just read in the Los Angeles Times Sunday edition how ICE is raiding car washes in LA County in order to round up immigrants (you know, the gangsters, rapists and drug dealers who love to work in the blazing sun outdoors), and that some car washes have been forced to close down for lack of help. But I was quick to take action. This writer has had a long-term dream of working in that industry, second only to working in the fields picking crops in John Steinbeck country, Salinas. So the time was ripe to apply at a local car wash. When the owner told me he had a full time job for a person to dry and detail washed cars, I jumped at the opportunity. He asked what my expectations were, and I humbly told him, "At least \$100,000 a year, no weekends, two days' work at home, and a well-funded 401(k)." I feel everything went extremely well and that I'll get a job offer very soon. If, sadly, that opportunity doesn't pan out, I'll drive up to Salinas and give that a shot.

**Don Linde**  
La Verne

### We are in an abusive relationship with our government

**Dear editor:**

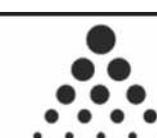
Intimidation, emotional abuse, isolation, minimizing, denying and blaming, using children, male privilege, economic abuse, coercion and threats are all indicators of an abusive relationship. The indicators were named in the early 1980s and are just as relevant today. These indicators form the framework in our country's efforts to reduce the incidents of domestic violence, both for the aggressor and for the recipient of the behaviors.

I bring this to light today because I have seen these same indicators in the way our current government officials are treating its citizens. I don't think it takes a great deal of imagination to draw parallels of these indicators to the current climate in this country. I am confident that many readers have experienced this personally at some point in their life or know of someone who was traumatized.

What I have learned over the past 32 years investigating these crimes is the "public display" of violence had its roots set anywhere from three to five years in what I refer to as "private/hidden" abuse. The abuser gains enough confidence after years of practice to finally go public with their behavior. Think of it has the tip of an iceberg. It is what's below the surface that is often overlooked or excused.

Ultimately, it is the victim's choice on whether to leave (divorce) the violent relationship or wait until a lethal event occurs. The remedy is simple: Elect officials who abhor violence as the primary means of social control and break the cycle.

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### Public Notice

Golden State Water Company's 2025 Annual Water Quality Reports (Consumer Confidence Reports) detailing local water quality and service during the 2024 calendar year are now available. Interested parties who would like to view or print a copy can access the reports at:

[www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports](http://www.gswater.com/annual-water-quality-reports)

### Applicants Sought for Claremont Planning Commission



Residents interested in taking a more active role in the City's decision-making process are encouraged to apply for appointment to a board or committee. Currently, applications are being sought for appointment to the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission advises the City Council on all matters dealing with the present and future development of the City, in accordance with the values and goals defined in the City's General Plan. This includes reviewing, approving, and/or recommending City Council approval of requests for zone changes, subdivision maps, and variances.

Persons interested in being considered for appointment are encouraged to file an application with the City Clerk by July 3, 2025.

Applications and information are available in the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 207 Harvard Avenue, Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and on the City's website – [www.claremontca.gov](http://www.claremontca.gov). Please contact the City Clerk's office for assistance – (909) 399-5461 or (909) 399-5463.

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