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Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District Steps in to Support Apple Fire Battle No impact to customer water delivery amid fire

Beaumont, CA – Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (BCVWD) is providing water from District recharge ponds to firefighting helicopters working to contain the Apple Fire.

The District's bulldozer is also clearing land of combustible material such as trees, shrubs and grass, also known as cutting fire-break, to allow access for firefighting vehicles in the upper canyon.

"Thank you to the many firefighters, agencies and personnel that are working hard to protect our community and fight the Apple Fire," said BCVWD Board of Directors President John Covington. "We are grateful to your dedication to protecting our residents, and we admire your tenacity and commitment to serving the public."

The fire, which began Thursday, July 31, has burned 4,125 acres and is 0% contained as of Saturday afternoon, August 1. Evacuation orders are in effect for many area residents. For updates and information about the Apple Fire, including evacuation details, go to www.rvcfire.org or www.rvcfire.org or www.rvcfire.org or www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2020/7/31/apple-fire.

The fire has not caused any interruption to water service delivery in the area. In the event an outage does occur, BCVWD will provide outage information on its website at www.bcvwd.org.

"The safety of our customers is of utmost importance as we work together to battle the Apple Fire," said BCVWD General Manager Dan Jaggers. "Our hearts go out to all those impacted, and we will continue to do our part to fight the fire and protect our community."

For more information about BCVWD, visit www.bcvwd.org.

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Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District was formed in 1919 and is governed by a publicly elected fivemember Board of Directors. BCVWD is an independent special district that provides water service to 55,000 customers in a 28 square mile service area.