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PRESS RELEASE TUD PREPARES FOR ANNUAL FLUSHING

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Tuolumne Utilities District will begin its annual flushing of water distribution systems next week. This flushing of water lines occurs every year and will begin the week of February 2 and will run through April 2009.

Flushing will occur next week in the following areas from February 2 thru February 13, 2009: Peaceful Pines, Sugar Pine, Comstock, Tuolumne, Lakewood and Brentwood Park.

A schedule of other areas will be announced in the next couple of weeks and posted on the TUD website, www.tudwater.com. TUD will send an updated announcement of those scheduled areas as soon as they are confirmed. Please look for the TUD electronic signs for when we will be flushing in your neighborhood. TUD maintenance crews will flush between 8am to 3pm.

The reason for the flushing is to clear out any sediment or minerals that may accumulate in pipes on an annual basis. Please note, when TUD is flushing the water lines, we offer the following recommendations:

- Don't be alarmed if you observe substantial volumes of water flowing in drainages or alongside the road. This is typical for flushing.
- You may experience fluctuations in service pressure. If pressure problems persist, please contact the District.
- While flushing is occurring, try to limit your water use in order not to draw this water into your household plumbing.
- If you have cloudy water after the water lines have been flushed, please turn on an outside hose bibb in order to flush your service line prior to where the water enters the house.

For additional information or questions, please contact Lisa Westbrook, Customer Service Supervisor for TUD at 209-532-5536, x501.