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Dear Members:

On June 24th over 20 SLHWA Volunteer Members conducted an audit of our water marker and valve system. It was a great day as we found we have some problems that need to be addressed and discussed possible solutions. The day also served as an opportunity for our community to meet and share stories and concerns regarding Shaver Lake West Village.

Results of the audit:

Total properties audited:	212
Water Markers non-compliant:	56
Water Valves non-compliant:	108
Water Valves with dirt covering:	28

Our results, in some cases auditors could not locate the valve or marker, in others we could not remove the PVC cap covering the valve pipe. Our survey merely exposed that we need to take actions to make it possible for our Water Master to locate and access the master valve to each property. This is critical to the integrity of our water system.

The audit is attached and is sorted by property address.

This email notification asks you to cross-check the audit for accuracy and check your water marker for compliance with our association by-laws. For visual reference we have attached pictures of compliant water markers. Each master valve should have a water marker with a reflector.

In some instances, dirt or sand may obstruct access to the valve. The association will be hiring a third party to clear dirt and sand from all valves. As a reminder, these are association owned valves and should not be used by property owners to turn their water on and off. They are only for the purpose of SLHWA to be able to shut off water to a property should there be a water emergency. Each property should have an additional homeowner owned valve for that purpose.

There were also several properties auditors could not locate valves or markers. In these instances, the board is asking for your assistance. A picture and description of their location would be greatly appreciated.

Lastly, our By-Laws and Rules and Regulations state that a fine of \$150 per non-compliant marker may be levied. The board has decided that this audit was not for the purpose of fining members but to develop a plan to remedy non-compliance. In the future the board intends to enforce compliance via an annual audit. It is the responsibility of property owners to maintain compliant water markers. For properties missing a marker the association will provide one for a fee.

Once again, the board would like to thank all who volunteered and we know this is a huge step in maintaining our mutual water system. We all are owners and as such we all share in this important responsibility.

Question may be directed to shaverlakeheights@gmail.com or to any board member. Contact information may be found on this website.