

Oak Creek Intermediate School

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County: Madera

Population: 190

Challenges: Uranium Drinking Water Standard Violation

Consolidation date: June 2018



Photo 1 Oak Creek Intermediate School front office.

The Oak Creek Intermediate School (OCI), located in Oakhurst, CA, is a public school in the Bass Lake Joint Union Elementary School District and serves a student and staff population of approximately 190 people. OCI is located within the service area of private water company, Hillview Water Company. The most feasible option for addressing the chronic uranium drinking water standard violation was to connect OCI to the neighboring Hillview Water Company. OCI received planning funds under Proposition 84 to evaluate the feasibility of connecting to Hillview Water Company. The planning project was deemed complete by the Division in February 2015, at which time OCI submitted an application for construction funds to complete the necessary infrastructure to connect to Hillview Water Company.

OCI received \$989,073 in Proposition 1 construction funds to extend a six-inch water main from the Hillview Water Company to OCI to consolidate OCI to the Hillview Water Company. The project also included installation of a water meter and separating out the irrigation system from the domestic water supply system to minimize cost impacts to the OCI. The water meter was set in December 2017 and the remainder of the project was completed in June 2018 for a total cost of \$882,328. OCI started receiving water from Hillview Water Company in June 2018.



Photo 2 New meter installed into system