

‘Valley Springs area growth outpaces its electricity’

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“Calaveras County Water District officials are blaming residential growth in the Valley Springs area and a lack of planning for such growth by PG&E for a recent “severe low-voltage imbalance” affecting the Jenny Lind water treatment plant and distribution system that supplies Rancho Calaveras and La Contenta subdivision.”

“Fred Burnett, regulatory affairs manager with CCWD...said, “The wires are a problem,” indicating that electrical lines can’t carry the loads required to service new residential developments in the western part of the county.”

“The affected facilities include the sewage pump station on Huckleberry Lane; the water pump station on Hartvickson Lane and Heinemann Drive; and the water treatment plant on Silver Rapids Road, which supplies the whole area with water.”

“PG&E has caused a lot of problems for us down there,” said Davidson...”Because of their lack of planning, those people down there could be without water and sewage.”

“[Perley] reported to the Board that the backup emergency system was presently operating the water system in Jenny Lind.”

“We could be in a situation where we could only produce 1 million gallons of water per day.”

“We’ve been without power for three weeks now...”