

November 2025

Paradise Irrigation District

Follow-up testing confirms it: No PFAS detected in PID's water

The presence of PFAS (per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances) in drinking water is serious business and PID is pleased to report that additional testing—even beyond that required by the EPA—finds that PFAS were not detected in any of PID's water samples.

Some public water systems began testing for PFAS in 2023 with the EPA's Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 5 (UCMR5; all public water systems must complete initial monitoring for PFAS by 2027.

PID collected samples during 2023 which EPA tested.

"That testing found PID had no

detectable PFAS in its water," says Rebekah Sorensen, PID Treatment Plant Superintendent. "To augment that testing though, and reassure our customers even more, we mirrored the same testing in August 2025—and again, no PFAS were detected in the water.

"Since the 2018 Camp Fire, our water is among the most tested in the nation and it continues to meet—and exceed—California and federal public health standards," notes Sorensen.

"This testing further supports our confidence in our drinking water. With this additional testing, we want our customers to feel that confidence as

well. We're proud of our water's quality; our customers can count on our ongoing transparency."

Sorensen says, without any changes to the environment surrounding the district's source water, PID believes that future PFAS testing will also result in "non detect" findings.

PID treated and distributed more than 1.36 billion gallons of water in 2024.

Meter install project completed

We're done! After almost seven years of steady work, PID has completed its meter installation and service lateral replacement (MSLR) project. This means PID now provides fresh, clean water to every customer through a new, updated system.

The MSLR project included the replacement of 8,359 service laterals (those lines that go from the mains to customers' meters) as well as the installation of 5,544 backflow devices and replacement of 8,397 meters.

The project, which in some way involved every PID department, began while ash was still on the ground post-Camp Fire and continued until mid-summer 2025. Funding was through FEMA, CalOES and the Drinking Water State Revolving fund.



Work begins soon on Clark Road main replacement; Skyway to follow

Aging water main pipelines on both Skyway and Clark Roads will be replaced beginning in November; the Clark Road portion will be the first section PID will tackle.

PID moved the two project timelines forward when the Town of Paradise decided to repave both areas of Skyway and Clark Road beginning in July 2026.

By doing the work now, PID saves almost \$2.4 million that it would have cost the district for repaving repair if done after the town's repair. Most of the work for the two projects will be completed during night hours

so traffic and PID customers will be minimally inconvenienced.

Main replacement on Clark will go from Franke Lane to Forest Service Road; estimated cost is \$2.132 million. This replaces a 12-inch steel main that is 70 years old and past its lifespan.

The Skyway project will be from Lofty Lane to just north of Wagstaff and replaces a 20-inch steel main that was installed in the 1950s and has also exceeded its lifespan.

The repairs mean PID customers will have better water service—and fewer outages due to needed repairs.



Make sure your backflow is covered!
Frost bags available at no cost for PID customers signed up for the backflow maintenance program. For info, call 530-877-4971.



Monthly Early Warning Sirens Test at Noon

November 15
December 15

Town of Paradise
Register for CodeRed: bit.ly/4hBT1Ju

We're here to help:

Our customer service professionals are eager to help you sign up for water service as well as answer any questions about your PID account; please reach out—you'll receive help that's as informative as it is friendly! Check our website and Facebook page as well.

Do you have an idea to improve our service?
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