

# Yreka City Newsletter

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## Important Numbers

City Hall/  
Water Division  
(530) 841-2386

Fire Department  
(530) 841-2383

Police Department  
(530) 841-2300

Public Works  
(530) 841-2370

Senior Program  
(530) 841-2365

## Elected Officials

Tom Amaral  
Mayor

Jim Griffin  
Mayor Pro Tempore

Rory McNeil  
Councilmember

David Simmen  
Councilmember

Jason Darrow  
Councilmember

Liz Casson  
City Clerk

Michael Pavlik  
City Treasurer

## Fall Leaves



The City of Yreka, Department of Public Works, is asking for your help in keeping the streets clean and safe this fall. **Please do not put leaves in the street!**

The Department sweeps the streets as frequently as possible in the fall when leaves are falling. However, it does not have the resources to sweep more than once a week.

It is important to keep leaves out of the street because they obstruct the flow of water in the gutters and prevent water from flowing into drainage inlets. Blocked drainage inlets cause flooding problems in the street and on private property. Large piles of leaves in the street or wet leaves can also be dangerous for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

The California Vehicle Code and City of Yreka Municipal Code prohibit the placement of any type of debris, including leaves, into the streets. We encourage you to dispose of leaves with your regular garbage pickup or by taking them to the Oberlin Road Transfer Station. Leaves can also be burned with a valid Burning Permit that can be obtained free of charge at City Hall. Your cooperation is appreciated.



## Reminder: Utility Rate Increase

Effective 10/01/2009



October 1, 2009, marks the second year of a 5-year rate increase on water and wastewater utilities. The 5-year plan was adopted by the City Council to cover the cost of operations and make much-needed repairs to the water and wastewater systems. A detailed report of the utility rate study is available at City Hall. The new rates will allow the City to qualify for certain financing for future improvements, such as the \$11 million in USDA Rural Development grant and loan funds recently obtained for the water treatment and distribution system. Improvements include: increased storage, booster pumps, treatment plant upgrades, and water line replacement.

<b>WATER SERVICE CHARGES:</b>			
	Current	10/01/09 Increase	
<b>CONSUMPTION CHARGES (\$/1000 GALLONS)</b>			
<b>Single Family Consumption Monthly Rates</b>			
101-10,000 Gallons	\$1.17	\$1.38	
10,001-35,000 Gallons	\$1.29	\$1.52	
over 35,000 Gallons	\$1.40	\$1.66	
<b>Non-single Family Consumption Monthly Rate</b>			
Over 101 Gallons	\$1.17	\$1.38	
<b>Monthly Service Charges (\$/Month)</b>			
5/8" meter (See note)	\$19.80	\$23.40	
3/4" meter	\$21.76	\$28.03	
1" meter	\$23.07	\$31.12	
1 1/2" meter	\$31.56	\$51.20	
2" meter	\$39.40	\$69.73	
3" meter	\$91.67	\$193.28	
4" meter	\$130.88	\$285.95	
6" meter	\$176.62	\$394.06	
8" meter	\$241.96	\$548.50	
<b>WASTEWATER (SEWER) CHARGES:</b>			
	Current	10/01/09 Increase	
Single Family Monthly Service	\$29.00	\$34.50	
Lifeline Single Family Monthly Service	\$27.00	\$32.50	
Multi Family Flat Rate Per Unit	\$29.00	\$34.50	
Non-residential (see City Hall - Utilities Dept)	---	---	

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# Internet-Related Crimes

By: Chief Brian B. Bowles

I am pleased to announce a new partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C), the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), and the Yreka Police Department, known as IC3. IC3's mission is to address crime committed over the internet. For victims of internet crime, IC3 provides a convenient and easy way to alert authorities of a suspected violation. For law enforcement and regulatory agencies, IC3 offers a central repository for complaints related to internet crime, uses the information to quantify patterns, and provides timely statistical data of current trends. In these difficult budget times, the Yreka Police Department is determined to look for ways to expand our services without spending your money. I felt this would be a great tool for the citizens of Yreka to combat internet crimes.

**Features:** Provides a central point for internet crime victims to report and alert an appropriate agency online at [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov). This site will also collect, review, and refer internet crime complaints to law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction to aid in preventive and investigative efforts. They also identify current crime trends over the internet.

**Benefits:**

- Provides an analytical repository for internet crime complaints, analyzes and refers all fraudulent activity identified on the internet to the appropriate local, state, or federal law enforcement authority
- Aids in the development of law enforcement training to address identified internet crime problems
- Serves as the catalyst that allows law enforcement and regulatory agencies to network and share data
- Potentially reduces the amount of economic loss by internet crime throughout the United States



**File a Complaint:** Please go to [www.yrekapd.org](http://www.yrekapd.org) and click on "Online Reporting." Then click on "Internet Crime Complaint Center" and follow the directions.

While the internet can be a safe and convenient place to do business, scammers are out there in "cyber world" targeting unsuspecting consumers. The [www.lookstoogoodtobetrue.com](http://www.lookstoogoodtobetrue.com) website was built to educate consumers and help prevent you from becoming a victim of an internet fraud scheme. The website was developed and is maintained by a joint federal law enforcement and industry task force. We are developing a way for you to file crime and traffic reports online in the future.



## Celebrate Yreka's Unique & Beautiful Botanic Heritage

The Siskiyou Arboretum will unveil its first demonstration garden and interpretive trail at Upper Greenhorn Park in Yreka, October 10, 2009, at 10 am. The garden is designed to showcase the use of decorative native plants in a water-conserving landscape and the trail will identify larger shrubs and trees along the reservoir's walking path. Greenhorn Park is in the midst of some of the most diverse conifer forests in the world and the park contains a variety of natural habitats. The Arboretum seeks to highlight the wealth and diversity of Yreka's natural heritage and to create a place of beauty for residents and visitors to enjoy. For more information, please call Tiffany Paine at (530) 842-3808.