



## Ridge students enjoy PID's tap water instead of bottled water

Plastic, single-use water bottles are seemingly everywhere—even though tap water from Paradise Irrigation District is not only safe (see article on next page) and tastes great, too.

Last spring students in Marc Kessler's Life Science class at Paradise Intermediate School (PIS) began looking at the effect of all those plastic water bottles—and they decided to do something about it.

"Tap water might taste good, but the drinking fountains at our school sometimes aren't the best," noted PIS student Cameron Fuller. "That—and the fact that the angle of the faucet doesn't make it easy to fill a water bottle—discourages kids and they buy plastic bottles of water instead."

Students researched the effects of all those plastic bottles on the environment then appealed to PID's board of directors

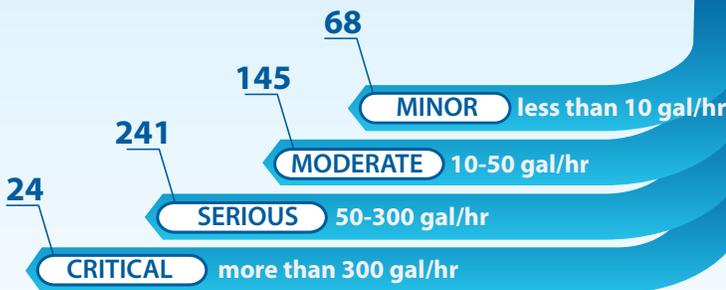
in August, asking if the district could help with the purchase of a water dispenser which would make it easy for the

students to fill reusable water bottles at school. The dispenser would also feature chilled water, a standard water fountain



**TAP WATER IS GREAT!** Students at Paradise Intermediate School (PIS) can enjoy cold tap water from their new water dispenser, provided by PID. Students raised funds schoolwide selling re-usable water bottles to buy a second water dispenser on the campus. From left are Tawny York, 13; Kylee Linebarger, 14; Laney Devineenzi, 14; PIS teacher Marc Kessler; Destiney Kester, 14.

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and a tally counter showing how many plastic water bottles had been saved by students using the dispenser.

PID board members agreed to the purchase but also challenged the students to raise funds for a second dispenser at the school which would be provided at the district's cost.

PIS students purchased stainless steel water bottles (with logos from the school and PID) at wholesale prices and sold them to students. Funds raised paid for the school's second water dispenser.

PIS Principal Reiner Light reports that the dispensers are used frequently, both by students and staff.

# Your water: Clean. Fresh. Pure.

That's the focus of the just-released PID Annual Consumer Confidence Report. The six-page report is available online at **pidccr.com** as well as in a printed version at the district office, 6332 Clark Road.

Included in the report is information about where PID's water originates, how it's treated and the district's water delivery system. Also included are sampling results of substances detected in your water.

The good news? In addition to tasting great, the sampling found no violations in any area. Drink up!

## Hundreds enjoy Paradise Lake at Kids Fishing Day in April



### Overview of 2017 wise water use guidelines

#### Water when?

- No outdoor watering between noon and 6 pm.
- Restriction doesn't apply to limited use of a hand-held bucket or hand-held hose with a self-closing water shut-off nozzle/device.
- Restriction doesn't apply to irrigation systems where no emitter produces a spray pattern.
- Commercial nurseries and growers are exempt from timed watering guidelines.

#### Water what?

- No washing driveways or hard surfaces with a hose; use a pressure washer.
- No watering overspray onto paved or hardscaped areas (sidewalks, drives).
- When washing your vehicle, only use a bucket or a hose with a shutoff nozzle.

#### Water around our community:

- Customers at ridge restaurants must ask for a glass of water; it will not be served automatically.
- Ridge motels and hotels must offer guests the option of no daily linen/towel service.

#### Your responsibilities:

- If PID notifies you that you have a leak, it's your responsibility to repair it promptly.
- Sign up for AquaHawk to monitor your water use and receive leak alerts.

