

Leavitt Lake Reporter

Feral Cats and Skunks

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We have been seeing an explosion of feral cats and now some skunks are invading our community.

I contacted several organizations seeking help with the problem.

Each one related that the first thing to do is STOP feeding your pets outside and do not leave any food outside.

They related that with an abundant source of food, the animals breed more and the population continues to grow. If there isn't any food they will not breed as often and will seek other areas to go with more plentiful food.

The next thing to do is trap the animals. The Lassen County Animal Shelter will take the feral cats Monday through Fri-

days-before 1:00 PM at a charge of \$9.00 per cat. And you must always call before bringing in a cat to make sure that a technician is available. (For euthanasia). (257-9200).

They observe each animal to determine if it is feral or perhaps someone's pet trapped by mistake. If they determine it is a pet, they will keep it for 5 days for the owners to claim.

If you will be bringing in several cats, you can make arrangements to make a donation after all cats have been brought in.

I also contacted the Federal Trapper. He related that he will be glad to help us BUT first we need to gain everyone's cooperation to not feed the animals outside.

He related that he has been out here

before and someone got so angry that he was trapping, that they demolished his trap. He said he spoke to a few people trying to educate them about feeding animals outside, but they did not want to hear what he was saying.

Too many cats in one area can be a health hazard. We need to all cooperate and not feed any animals outside. And if you have to, make sure after your pet is finished eating you remove any leftovers.

None of us want skunks roaming in our yards and feral cats, just like the skunks can carry diseases.



FIRE SEASON

Our fire season is not yet over. We still have several homes that are over grown with weeds, in the front and the back.

Please mow down these weeds and help keep our community safe.

BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting will be held at 4:00 PM on September 19, 2017 in the LLCSD office. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Call the office at (530) 257-7977 if you have any questions or would like to be put on the agenda.

STREET REPAIRS

Over the last few months, we have had to make several water line repairs in the road ways. We could not immediately repair those places in the roads as we had to wait for the asphalt to be batched. We are finally beginning to repair them.



About the District

Our district was formed in 1972. We are what is termed as a “Special District” which means we are self governed and are actually a local government agency.

We have a five member board of directors, who all

own homes and reside within the district boundaries. All board members are elected officials.

We operate on the funds collected from the services provided, water, sewer, park and street lights.

We currently have two people who work in the office and one maintenance person who does enlist the help of a part time person in the summer months.

