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“Tinacos”

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LOS COLORES DEL CARACOL

LOS RESIDENTES DE LA PENÍNSULA CARACOL, A.C.

Waitin' up ahead - For you and me - Cool clear water

We seem to be entering a new period of water shortages in the San Carlos/Guaymas area of Sonora. The lower pila has been rebuilt and plans are being made to upgrade the upper pila over the next few years. These efforts will help to supply a higher quality, and more reliable flow of water to the residents on the hill. But, we can't control the flow of water from CEA. For the time being, there are going to be several days a week when CEA will supply NO water to the Caracol, and the scheduled times are at best unreliable.



One solution for the lack of 24/7 water supply is to store sufficient water at your house to carry you over until water is again supplied by CEA. The common method is to install a water tank/s near your house. These are called tinacos and are normally, but not always, installed on the roof. If you do not have a tinaco, you should consider getting one installed. In some installations you may need a pressure pump to supply sufficient flow to your home. If you have a tinaco installation, make sure it is good working order and you understand how it works. Many tinaco installations depend on backflow valves that malfunction, allowing the stored water to empty back into the street. Consider replacing these with manual valves. There are several excellent plumbers in the area that can help you. If you see leaks on the

Caracol, report it to the CEA. Conserve water you have received by taking shorter showers and reduce landscape watering.

The photo above is one of three regular entrance guards, Ramon. Ramon has been watching our gate for several years now, and does an excellent job. Always friendly, but keeps a close eye on visitors. It increases security on the hill if Ramon and the other guards know the residents. Please say Hi as you come through the gate, and drop off a cold drink on a hot day.



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