

PINERY PIPELINE



FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Recently, I was asked by a Pinery resident what the connection was between the Pinery Water & Wastewater District (PWWD) and the Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority (CCBWQA) as stated on their homeowner property taxes.

CCBWQA is a unit of local government that was created by State legislature in 1988 and is charged with keeping water quality in the Cherry Creek Reservoir and Cherry Creek Basin. Numeric water quality standards have been set by the Colorado Water Quality Control Division that the CCBWQA monitors and reports on annually.

The Pinery Wastewater facility discharges daily effluent (non-potable water) into Cherry Creek just north (downstream) of the Pinery Wells. Wastewater effluent is known as a "point-source" pollutant. Non-point source pollutants, like agriculture and livestock operations, also contribute to water quality challenges in Cherry Creek. The CCBWQA monitors water pollutants, designs and builds projects that remove pollutants from the water so that the beneficial uses of Cherry Creek and Cherry Creek Reservoir remain for current and future generations to use and enjoy.

The CCBWQA currently has eighteen Board of Directors. Eleven represent the two counties (Douglas and Arapahoe) and various municipalities that impact the reservoir and seven that are appointed by the Governor. One board seat is reserved for the utilities that operate wastewater treatment plants that discharge to Cherry Creek.

The CCBWQA collects taxes to fund the entity's operations. For more information on your homeowners' property taxes, go to www.douglas.co.us/assessor. You can search by account number, parcel number, owner name or address then click on "Tax Authorities" to find out how much tax you are paying to the CCBWQA and other entities.

If you would like additional information about CCBWQA, their phone number is (303) 779-4525 or you may visit their website at <http://www.cherrycreekbasin.org>.



Russell Hokanson, Board Member

Pinery Water & Wastewater District Board of Directors



Don't forget to join us at our District Office for our regularly held Board Meetings at 6:30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month

Our next Board Meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Wednesday, August 16, 2017



WATER RESTRICTIONS

Voluntary Watering Restrictions in Effect - See Backside for Details!

WATER PRODUCTION FOR 2017

We experienced a hot and dry spring and early summer so far. As a result of this hot and dry weather, we experienced record high water demand in May and June. In May 2017, the District treated and delivered over 80 million gallons of water as compared to 65.5 million gallons in May 2016 and only 39 million gallons in May of 2015. In June of this year, the District treated and delivered a whopping 176 million gallons of water as compared to 118 million and 78 million in June 2016 and June 2015, respectively. This demand was similar to what we would expect to see in July and August.



Our water rights and our water system are designed to meet our summer demand, however, with what we experienced in May and June, it looks like we may be having “two summers” worth of watering this year. Because of this, the District decided to implement a voluntary 3–day per week watering schedule. This 3-day per week schedule should allow plenty of time to water and maintain landscaping but reduce the overall demand on our water system. Below is the schedule the District is asking that residents adhere to:

2017 VOLUNTARY WATERING SCHEDULE						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
EVEN Numbered Addresses	ODD Numbered Addresses	EVEN Numbered Addresses	ODD Numbered Addresses	EVEN Numbered Addresses	NO Watering	ODD Numbered Addresses

** No watering between 10:00am & 6:00pm

** Hand watering allowed anytime

DROUGHT AND TREE ROOTS

During this recent dry spell, trees and shrubs may go to great lengths to find water to survive. These lengths can reach right into your sewer service, or mains, in the form of their roots. Tree roots are rapidly becoming a problem encountered by many residents in our older subdivisions. The trees we all love become our worst nightmare in a sewer line with any minor imperfections. Current technology gives us several solutions for this condition; one is to call a plumber every one to two years and have the roots cut out, however, this will soon destroy your sewer lines.



Option two is to dig up your sewer service and repair the problem which can be very costly, destroy landscaping and harm mature trees. Option three is a product called RootX. This

product kills roots in the sewer line and prevents their re-growth for up to one year. The EPA has approved RootX for use in all fifty states. RootX will not harm your trees, only the roots that intrude into your sewer. RootX can be purchased at the District office for \$25.00. Please call the office at 303-841-2797 for additional information.

