

MAY 2020

PINERY PIPELINE

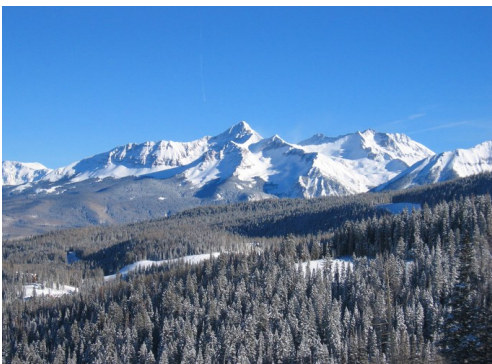


From your board of directors

The preliminary election results are in! It appears that Terry Franklin and I, Walt Partridge will be the new Directors. The results of the election will be finalized in the next weeks and once the deadline to receive overseas ballots has expired, the results will be posted on our website at www.pinerywater.com. The new directors will serve on the Pinery water board for the next 3 years. These two board members will be sworn in at the May 20th regular Board meeting. I want to give special thanks to Russ Hokanson who volunteered his time to serve the District on the Board for the past four years. You will be missed!

The Pinery Water and Wastewater District Board of Directors oversees the operation of the District on your behalf. Some of the responsibilities include hiring good competent management, which we have, approving the annual budget, monitoring large expenditures, and making sure we are adhering to our mission which is to provide (Quality Water for **LIFE**). We do this by ensuring long term sustainability, utilizing innovative solutions, providing excellent service, and of course doing all of this in the most economical and practical way.

Consistent with Governor Polis (Safer at Home) order, the District office will remain closed to the public through the month of May. The District office is fully staffed and is working every day so all regular business (except in person payments) will continue. Because of the pandemic, we have decided to pause in our efforts on the rates and fees study update. It is important to get feedback from our community and these times do not encourage participation. Look for this effort to pick back up in the Fall.



As the weather warms and people shift their thinking to their yards, here is a quick snapshot of the water situation in our area and the state. Pinery Water gets most of its water from Cherry Creek. Cherry Creek eventually meets up with the South Platte River right in downtown Denver at Confluence Park. Fortunately, the snowpack that melts into the South Platte river basin is at 118% of normal right now and is the highest it has been for at least 4 years. Other areas in the state are not as fortunate with snowpack levels as low as 72% of normal as in the Rio Grande River in South Central Colorado. Even though we have plenty of water available, prudent use of this resource is always advisable. You can find more information about the State's drought situation at <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?CO>

Your board is continuing to meet monthly, the 3rd Wednesday of every month, via telephone and internet. The contact numbers are posted on our website for public participation.



Thank you for the opportunity to be of service, be safe!

**Walt Partridge, Chairman
Pinery Water and Wastewater District
Board of Directors**

Please join us at our District Office for our monthly held Board Meetings at 6:30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Upcoming Board Meetings will still be held at 6:30pm on:

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

*(*this meeting will be a digital meeting, please see meeting notice for information on joining the meeting by internet.)*

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

JUNE 2, 2020 6-8PM - WATER EFFICIENCY SEMINAR



Join us and learn the basics of waterwise landscaping and efficient irrigation best practices to apply to your very own yard! This class will explore the "how to's" of conserving water while creating a functional and attractive outdoor space. We will introduce basic concepts of waterwise landscaping, irrigating your landscape efficiently, cutting edge irrigation technology, and ways to modify existing landscapes to cut back on water use. Whether you are renovating an existing landscape or are starting a new project from scratch this class will focus on practical DIY solutions to everyday challenges in your yard.

"The Basics of Waterwise Landscaping and Efficient Irrigation"

Speaker: Alison OConnor, CSU Extension

June 2nd from 6-8pm – Webinar

Event URL: <https://resourcecentral.org/event/the-basics-of-waterwise-landscaping-and-efficient-irrigation/>

SLOW THE FLOW – SOLVE YOUR SPRINKLERS

The Pinery Water District and Resource Central are teaming up to provide a free sprinkler consultation to our customers. Resource Central technicians will run a few tests to check your sprinklers' efficiency and diagnose any problems your system might have. At the end of your consultation, you will receive a customized watering schedule designed to reduce water usage and keep your lawn healthy and beautiful all summer long! Consultations last about 75 minutes and could help you save thousands of gallons of water each year. Simply call (303) 999-3824 or sign up at ResourceCentral.org/Sprinklers. Conserving water doesn't have to look like a brown lawn! **Stay green, save blue.**



IS YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM READY?

The summer heat is quickly approaching, and we will want to get our irrigation systems going and start watering. You may want to wait until our last freeze passes so that you do not do any costly damage. Last year, Colorado's last snow fall was May 21st and 22nd. Once the last freeze is over with, go over these few important steps to help you eliminate damage. You may also want to contact an irrigation specialist to look over your system in addition.

Spring Start-Up Checklist:

- Open the system main water valve slowly to allow pipes to fill with water gradually.
- Verify the proper operation of each station valve by manually activating all zones from the controller.
- Walk through each station on the controller, checking for proper operation of the zone. Check for proper operating pressure (low pressure indicates a line break or missing sprinkler), proper rotation and adjustment of sprinkler heads, and adequate coverage. Check and clean filters on poorly performing sprinklers. Adjust heads to grade, as necessary.
- Reprogram the controller for automatic watering. Replace the controller back-up battery if necessary.
- Uncover and clean the system weather sensor, if applicable.

Read more from original site: <https://www.hunterindustries.com/spring-start-checklist>

2020 WATERING SCHEDULE						
PINERY RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS						
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 10am & 6pm Hand Watering Allowed Anytime						

HYDRANT FLUSHING

Reminder that crews will be out flushing, Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 3 PM with plans to wrap up by May 15. For questions or concerns, please call the District office at 303-841-2797 or email us at info@pinerywater.com.

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