

MARCH 2021

PINERY PIPELINE



From your board of directors

You have no doubt seen the large volume of new homes now being built in the Pinery Water and Wastewater District. It is important you know that your Board reviews the cost of new development regularly. We look at water supply, wastewater capacity, and existing capital investment in pipe, wells, pumps, storage, and so forth. Each lot or home coming online in 2021 will pay a tap fee of \$43,685 for water and wastewater service. This includes a portion of their share of existing infrastructure and any new additional investment required for their specific service. We want to make sure new homes are paying their fair share, and that water supplies will be there for all of us in the future.

Here are some fun statements about water:

- 1 glass of water shuts down midnight hunger pains for almost 100% of the dieter's study in a university study.
- Lack of water is the number one trigger of daytime fatigue.
- Preliminary research indicates that 8-10 glasses of water a day could significantly ease joint pain for up to 80% of sufferers.
- A mere 2% drop in body water can trigger fuzzy, short-term memory, trouble with basic math, and trouble focusing on computer screens.
- Drinking 5 glasses of water daily decreases the risk of colon cancer by 45%, plus it can slash the risk of breast cancer by 79%. And a person is less likely to develop bladder cancer.

Of course, too much water can have strange side-effects 😊

We are blessed to have an abundant supply of good, clean water, and your Board intends to keep it that way. Be safe.



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

HYDRANT FLUSHING

Crews will be flushing beginning in March, 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.

Please join us at our District Office for our monthly held Board Meetings at 6:00pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Upcoming Board Meetings will still be held digitally at 6:00pm on Wednesday, March 17, 2021

(*please see meeting notice for information on joining the meeting by internet.)

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

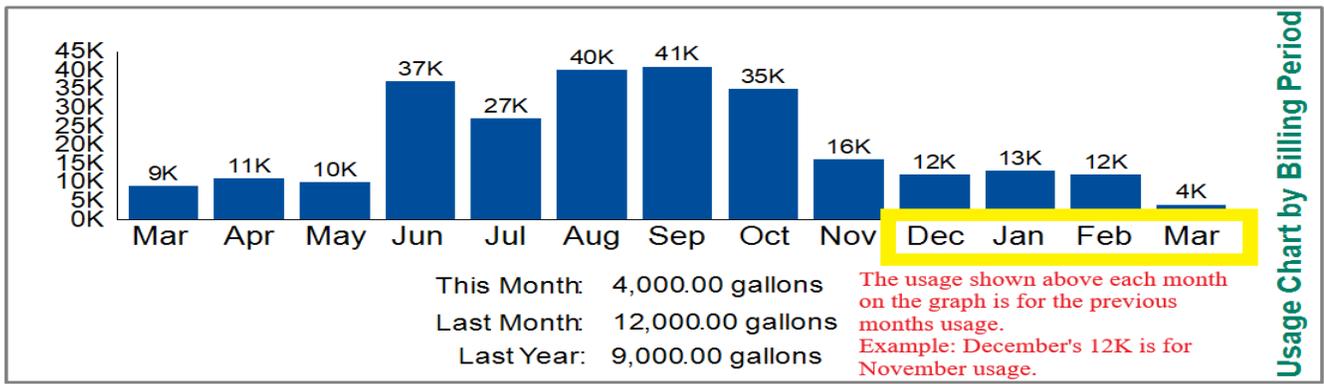


SEWER RATE STRUCTURE

As you may have read in our past few newsletters, our Board of Directors has passed a new two-tier system for monthly wastewater charges. What does that mean for you? Customers who use more water/wastewater services through the winter months will pay a higher rate than those who use less. The process to determine what tier you fall in to is explained below.

We will add your November, December, January, and February water usage together and divide that total by 4 to get your average. That average number then determines which tier you fall into. If your average winter monthly consumption (AMWC) is 0-5,000 gallons you will be billed \$36.75 each month for wastewater service. If your AMWC is over 5,001 gallons you will be charged \$53.99 each month for wastewater service. These rates will be recalculated each year.

If you are looking at the graph on your bill to see where you are at for usage, you will need to look at December-March. The graph shows the billing period, meaning the usage shown above the month is for the previous month. The picture below highlights the months to look at on your bill.



GARDEN IN A BOX | PLANT A NEW PERSPECTIVE

Maybe you participated in last year's Garden in a Box program. Or maybe you've decided that this is the year you'll finally get your yard in shape – but how can you get the gorgeous, colorful garden you've always wanted without paying the professional price tag and doubling your water bill? Easy. With just a click, you can order a xeric (low-water) garden kit that's ready to pick up and plant in May. These pre-designed kits are tailored to Colorado soil, and the simple plant-by-number maps take the guesswork out of buying and planting. Plus, the garden kits can help you save around 1,000 gallons of water compared to a traditional grass lawn (not to mention savings on your water bill). There's a Garden in A Box to fit your budget. Gardens sell out quickly - visit ResourceCentral.org/Gardens and receive \$25 discount for being a Pinery Water and Wastewater District customer. Order your water-wise Garden in A Box today! **If you have any questions or want more information about Garden in a Box, go to ResourceCentral.org/Gardens or call 303-999-3820 x 222**



SLOW THE FLOW – SOLVE YOUR SPRINKLERS

Again this year, 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, which takes about 75 minutes, you will receive a customized watering schedule designed to reduce water usage and keep your lawn healthy and beautiful all summer long!

Simply call (303) 999-3824 or sign up at ResourceCentral.org/Sprinklers. Stay green, save blue.

