

JUNE 2024

PINERY PIPELINE



From your Board of Directors

The summer heat has arrived, and our lawns are thirsty again! The busy season for the District has begun, and the water treatment and delivery facilities are responding. As users, we expect that response to be as needed without hesitation.

In response to that expectation last year, the District delivered approximately 875 million gallons of treated water, down from more than 1,231 million gallons of water treated and delivered in 2022. That reduction was thanks to last year's unusually high contribution from Mother Nature, 29.4 inches of precipitation, almost triple the amount as in 2022 (10.8 inches). Over 24 inches of that precipitation came during May through August which helped reduce the demand for irrigation during the period when demand is at its highest. A similar contribution this year is not expected, but the District is ready to respond.

Being prepared for such demand requires extensive and continuous monitoring of the 'health' of the water delivery system to assure that the supply is available and that it can be delivered to where it is needed. It also requires quick response in addressing any problems that may be encountered in the system. District staff are committed to minimizing any potential problems for users through rapid, real-time response as well as effective maintenance and/or replacement planning.

In a recent financial audit, District Management provided a summary of some of the most significant work recently completed or in progress to keep the water we need readily available. Highlights of that summary include:

- ~ A program of inspection and rehabilitation of all wells. Four of the 18 wells were completed in 2023. This program began a few years ago and almost every well has been inspected and rehabilitated as of 2024.
- ~ A retrofit of all meters to a new cellular powered Advanced Metering Analytics platform called Beacon-EyeOnWater. This allows users to monitor their usage and receive alerts on system problems. (I recently benefited from an alert of a continual leak at my home of 9.2 gallons per hour, and upon inspection, found a toilet valve that needed replacement.)
- ~ The addition of two new wells and an additional underground water storage tank.
- ~ Construction of a new replacement water line on Hillside.
- ~ Lining of 3500 feet of pipeline in the sewer collection system, part of a program to minimize infiltration and prolong the life of the pipelines.

To assure a long-term water supply, the District continued its involvement in regional water supply projects, including the construction of the new Walker Reservoir water storage facility near Franktown. With completion expected this year, the District will own approximately 47% of the storage capacity in the reservoir which will help facilitate supply management throughout the system. With the new housing construction that is in progress and planned, the District will soon reach buildout. It's comforting to know that through the efforts of the staff, we can count on a reliable water supply for the foreseeable future!



**Rod Bergholm, Director,
Pinery Water and
Wastewater District**

Please join us at our District Office for our monthly Board Meetings typically held at 6:00pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. However, the next two meetings have been changed to:
Monday June 19, 2024
Monday July 17, 2024
Both meetings will begin at 6:00 PM.

DROUGHT RESPONSE AND SUMMER WATERING

In February of 2022 the Board approved a Drought Response Plan for the District. In this plan staff will regularly monitor the environmental conditions and the District's water demands to make decisions that best serve the community. As discussed in the plan (can be found on the website at <https://pinerywater.com/resources-information/>) staff will compile drought indication information and adjust the Drought Stage Level and response actions according to those listed in the plan. Currently the District is not in a drought. Colorado likely will get much drier throughout the summer and the Drought Stages may increase. Please check the website for the current District Drought Stage. In Stage 2 staff

will ask all customers to adhere to the Watering Schedule voluntarily (shown below). In Stage 3 drought, the watering schedule will become mandatory for all customers and the District may prohibit the installation of new sod and the filling of private swimming pools. Please remember to use only what you need when using our precious limited water supply.

It is easier to use more water in the summer on your lawn and landscape than what you use all year long on everything else. Colorado is a dryer climate with some days that have some high temperatures, but you still don't have to use that much water. Water is a limited resource in our semi-arid, high-altitude climate. Following our watering schedule and tips will help you maximize your summer water usage, save you money, and helps keep our demand as a District down. Look at the 2022 Watering Schedule and some other tips to help you this summer.

Tips:

- Water during cooler times of the day — No watering between 10am and 6pm.
- Water no more than three days per week.
- Do not allow water to flow off grass and into gutters, streets, and alleys.
- Do not waste water by letting it spray on concrete and asphalt.
- Repair leaking sprinkler systems within 10 days.
- Do not irrigate while it is raining or during high winds.
- Use a hose nozzle with a shut-off valve when washing your car.
- **Please remember not to water on Fridays.**

ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Pinery Water and Wastewater District produces an Annual Water Quality Report, which includes information about the quality of the water the District supplies. The 2024 Annual Water Quality Report will be available on our website by the end of June under My Pinery Water-Water Quality tab, <https://pinerywater.com/water-quality/>

2024 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



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