

PINERY PIPELINE JANUARY 2026



Please join us at our District Office for our monthly Board Meetings typically held at 6:00pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Our Upcoming Board Meetings will be held at 6:00pm on Wednesday, January 21st and Wednesday, February 18th.

From your Board of Directors

Welcome to 2026!

The Pinery Water and Wastewater Board wish you the best for the New Year.

We were pleased to announce no increases for residential water rates and only a slight increase in sewer rates. Large irrigators and the Golf Courses, however, did see an increase this year.

As you drive through the District, you are seeing and will see some major developments. Some of those developments are:

- **King Soopers:** The site work for the new King Soopers is well underway and the area will attract other businesses. We know an auto body repair shop and a storage facility will be coming. Undoubtedly there will be more as the site is completed.
- **Scott Road:** You will also see new residential developments north of Scott Road, between Parker Road and Cherry Creek. A development of pair homes and single-family homes is planned along with a six-building apartment complex.

The District also has several Capital projects planned this year including drilling a new well and rehabilitating existing wells to improve their flow. The Walker Reservoir near Franktown has been a great success and we may increase its capacity at the end of 2026.

Your Board takes seriously our motto "**QUALITY WATER FOR LIFE**". We want clean water coming into our homes and clean water discharged from our wastewater plant to always be there. We analyze and review all new developments with this in mind. We are also aware that existing customers should not pay for expansion. All new homes pay a tap and connection fee to use our existing system. The tap fee for a typical home this year (2026) is \$ 59,327. We are now serving over 5,000 homes and we have plenty of water and wastewater capacity now and plan to into the future.

This year will be another busy and productive year for the Pinery Water and Wastewater employees. The board is grateful for their dedication and commitment.



Have a safe and happy New Year!

Walt Partridge, Chairman, Pinery Water and Wastewater District

Are Your Pipes Ready For Winter?

Winter temperatures are coming and each year the District receives calls from homeowners with no water due to freezing temps. Here are some tips to help prevent and thaw frozen pipes at home.

How to Prevent Frozen Pipes

- Keep garage doors closed if there are water supply lines in the garage.
- Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing. Be sure to move any harmful cleaners and household chemicals up out of the reach of children.
- When the weather is very cold outside, let the cold-water drip from the faucet served by exposed pipes. Running water through the pipe - even at a trickle - helps prevent pipes from freezing.
- Keep the thermostat set to the same temperature both during the day and at night. By suspending the use of lower nighttime temperatures, you may incur a higher heating bill, but you can prevent a much more costly repair job if pipes freeze and burst.
- If you are going away during cold weather, leave the heat on in your home, set to a temperature no lower than 55° F.



How to Thaw Frozen Pipes

- If you turn on a faucet and only a trickle comes out, suspect a frozen pipe. Likely places for frozen pipes include exterior walls or where your water service enters your home through the foundation.
- Keep the faucet open. As you treat the frozen pipe and the frozen area begins to melt, water will begin to flow through the frozen area. Running water through the pipe will help melt ice in the pipe.
- Apply heat to the section of pipe using an electric heating pad wrapped around the pipe, an electric hair dryer, a portable space heater (kept away from flammable materials), or by wrapping pipes with towels soaked in hot water. Do not use a blowtorch, kerosene or propane heater, charcoal stove, or other open flame device.
- Apply heat until full water pressure is restored. If you are unable to locate the frozen area, if the frozen area is not accessible, or if you cannot thaw the pipe, call a licensed plumber.
- Check all other faucets in your home to find out if you have additional frozen pipes. If one pipe freezes, others may freeze, too.



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