

# PINERY PIPELINE APRIL 2026



Please join us at our District Office for our monthly Board Meetings typically held at 6:00pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Our Upcoming Board Meetings will be held at 6:00pm on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

## *From your Board of Directors*

### To Flush or Not to Flush

You may have noticed that our staff is flushing some of the fire hydrants. Why do we do this and is it a WASTE of Water?

Key reasons for flushing water pipelines include:

- **Improving Water Quality:** Flushing removes sediment and natural mineral deposits that accumulate over time. This helps maintain the quality of the water, preventing it from appearing discolored.
- **Preventing Stagnation:** In some areas, water in dead-end pipes can sit for long periods. Flushing keeps the water moving, which helps to maintain proper disinfection levels.
- **System Maintenance:** It acts as a preventative maintenance measure that can identify faulty pipes, valves, and fire hydrants to ensure they operate properly during emergencies.
- **Cleaning Pipes:** High-velocity water removes rust and sediment buildup, maintaining the pipe's capacity.

**So, is this a waste of water?** When water flows down the street from these flushing's, it may appear that we waste water this way; however, it's not a waste, it is necessary to maintain our infrastructure as mentioned above. Due to this winter's drought and the grim outlook for this summer, Pinery Water operations staff have altered some aspects of the flushing protocol. First, staff are flushing every third hydrant instead of every hydrant. Second change is to flush at a lower flow rate for a shorter amount of time. We will be monitoring the results to see if this change is effective.

**Speaking of a drought.** Even though our water resources are in good shape, this does not mean that we should not be vigilant about efficient and conservative water use. The West is in a very serious, multi-year drought and what happens around us does affect us. It may take the form of Senior Water rights that may supersede our ability to use some of our water and if droughts are severe and prolonged enough, the alluvial water tables are affected. Because of this, we are asking everyone, including high volume water users, to be very efficient in their outdoor water use and careful not to use more than is necessary.

As a final note, I urge you to sign up for the **Eye on Water project**. This initiative is a crucial step in ensuring we all keep a good Eye on our Water Supply. To learn more or sign up, please call the office at 303-841-2797.



**Jim McGannon,**

**Director, Pinery Water and Wastewater District**

**\$5** PER SQUARE FOOT

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## HYDRANT FLUSHING

Crews will begin flushing the middle of March, Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 3 PM with plans to wrap up around May 15. For questions or concerns, please call the District office at 303-841-2797 or email us at [information@pinerywater.com](mailto:information@pinerywater.com).

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