

Your Water News Resource

Cottonwood
Water & Sanitation District

Water Conservation Efforts

We want to thank you for your outdoor water conservation efforts this year – please keep it up, because **it-is-working!** So far this summer, our community has helped offset nearly 4.0 million gallons of water that would otherwise have been drawn from our non-renewable supplies. To put 4 MG in perspective: that is roughly what 870 single-family homes would use indoors in a month. Thank you for making a real difference!

Wildfires

As you well know, our beautiful state is once again dealing with near record-breaking wildfire destruction. Our hearts go out to the communities directly affected by the fires, as well as our courageous first responders who are working tirelessly to contain them. There are many ways to support the affected communities, including first responders, and we encourage you to help in whatever capacity you can. Even small fire prevention steps at home can indirectly free up resources to aid the rest of the agencies with boots on the ground. Here are some thoughts on what we can do to help:

- ◆ Establish a noncombustible buffer zone within five feet of your home, using materials like stone or gravel rather than flammable landscaping, or opt for well-watered annuals and perennials. Rock or pebble beds may work better than mulch right along the foundation.
- ◆ Clear out dead plants and burnable items (such as stacked firewood) from beneath decks and within a 10-foot radius of the house.
- ◆ Keep grass cut on a consistent schedule.
- ◆ Regularly clear debris from your roof, deck surfaces, and gutters.
- ◆ Cut back any tree limbs extending over the roofline.
- ◆ Remove lower tree branches up to a height of 10 feet, and place hardscaping (stone, gravel, pavers) around tree bases.
- ◆ Clear fallen leaves and debris from around the house, paying particular attention to spots where wind tends to pile up leaves and litter.
- ◆ Keep your irrigation system in good working order.



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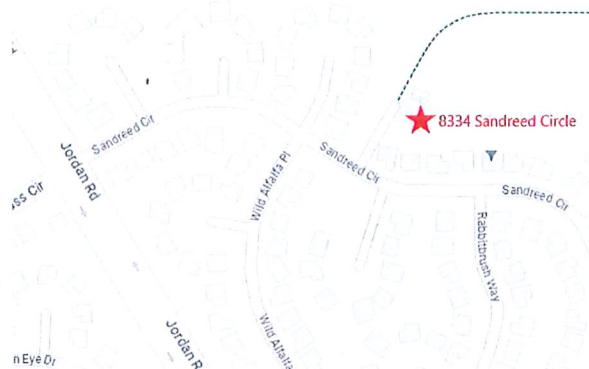
Happy 4th of July!

Cottonwood Water Demonstration Gardens—Annual Open House

Please save the date to visit the Demonstration Gardens and enjoy free snow cones from Kona Ice while you look around a showcase of water-wise, colorful planter beds — 15 different Garden-in-a-Box kits! We encourage you to ask them any questions related to the services we provide to our amazing community. The event is scheduled for September 26, 2026, from 9:30-11:30 AM, with snow cones starting at 10:00 AM. We look forward to seeing you!

To get to the Demonstration Gardens:

- ♦ Take the north Sandreed Circle entrance (Jordan Rd and Sandreed Cir. intersection, the one with the traffic light), and travel east.
- ♦ Take your 4th left next to the mailbox and the neighborhood library!



Trash Collection Program—Trial Ending Soon

This is a reminder to homeowners who are still deciding on their trash collection service. The District's Trash Collection Program opt-out window is coming up soon. We encourage you to try the service, with the option to opt out between November 2 and November 16, if the service or its cost isn't right for you. Nearly 50% of single-family properties in the District have already signed up for the program, which helps us keep costs low for everyone as grow the Program.

Please contact us at your convenience! District staff will be happy to help with the sign-up process or answer any questions about the Program.

For current Program Participants, here are some helpful waste tips from Waste Management:

- ♦ **Cart Placement:** Please place your cart(s) at the curb by 7:00 am, with wheels facing the curb. Do not leave any materials next to or outside your cart.
- ♦ **Trash:** If possible, please bag and secure your trash and yard waste. This helps reduce litter from falling out when carts are serviced, especially on windy days.
- ♦ **Recycling:**
 - ⇒ **Please keep it loose:** Never bag up recyclables. Instead, please place materials directly into carts and keep plastic bags out of recycling.
 - ⇒ **Cardboard boxes:** Please break down and flatten cardboard boxes to conserve space inside recycling carts and ensure the lid can be fully closed.
 - ⇒ **Always Recycle:** Metal food & beverage cans, plastic bottles & containers, paper, flattened cardboard & paperboard, and glass bottles & containers
 - ⇒ **Materials NOT accepted in curbside recycling:** Plastic Bags—Film—Food—Liquids—Foam Cups/Containers—Packaging—Yard Waste—Electronics—Carpeting—Textiles—Clothing—Furniture—tires—Hazardous Materials.

Please visit www.WM.com/recycleright to learn more about their recycling tips.

Next Meeting of the Board

Thursday, July 16, 2026 at 6:30 PM. 8051 S. Jordan Rd. Englewood, CO. 80112. The public is invited to attend!

District General Information

58 Inverness Drive East #100. Englewood, CO 80112. Open 8am-5pm Monday-Friday.

During normal business hours call: 303-792-9509. Please visit www.cottonwoodwater.org

After-Hours Water Emergencies: 303-426-3167.