

March 2021

# YOUR WATER NEWS RESOURCE



Cottonwood  
Water & Sanitation District

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is Tuesday March 16, 2021 beginning at 6:30pm. The public is encouraged to attend via Zoom Meeting. Meeting details can be found on our website at [www.cottonwoodwater.org](http://www.cottonwoodwater.org).

Governed by a board of five elected property owners of the Cottonwood community, the District was established to provide the residents of the community with water and wastewater services. The District is a quasi-governmental, non-profit, entity that collects property taxes and fees for water and wastewater services to ensure that quality water is delivered to homes and businesses and that wastewater is removed, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days of every year from the community.



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## Household Wastewater Calculations

All single-family residential customers pay a monthly sewer charge determined from an average of the previous winter water consumption records in November, December, January, & February. This average is applied to the home's monthly bill and is calculated as follows: Base Rate of \$15.30 + (Average Use x \$8.25 per 1,000 gallons). This amount will be the new sewer charge that is billed each month until February the following year. The District has completed these calculations for 2021. Please review your bill and let us know if you have any questions.

## Well Site Drilling Update

Access to the well site and drilling operations progress. As of last week, the Contractor has drilled to a depth of about 1,500 feet and continues. The drilling process has been slightly slower due to the new procedure used to keep sands in the upper aquifers from migrating to the new well below. Such procedure involves the installation of a larger casing, cemented in place, in order to isolate the upper aquifer and act as a carrier for the drilling equipment to develop the Arapahoe Aquifer well. As a result, the drilling operation is taking longer than the typical +/- 30 days that it takes to drill an Arapahoe Aquifer well in this part of our region. We hope to have the drilling portion completed sometime during the week of March 15 and then move on to equipping the well for testing.

The contractor is focusing on mud clean up in the streets and the exits to the limits of construction. The District is currently evaluating the need to temporarily close the path through the construction limits after the snow has melted. A pedestrian detour path is being discussed with the open space property owner and we hope to get their input within the next couple of days.

We thank you for your patience as the District works to secure the water supply. If you have any questions, please contact the District. Thank you.

## Water Conservation Best Practices

Irrigation Season is coming up! It has been a dry winter, except for the few occasional snowstorms, and the State is expecting drought conservation measures to be in effect for many of the Denver Metro area water providers. The Board of Directors is planning to hold a public hearing during the April 20 meeting to review a proposed rule incorporating best management practices for outdoor watering to avoid water waste. The proposed rule would include things like watering 3 days per week, only watering between certain hours, hand watering, irrigation repairs and a new turf variance to name a few. Full details of the proposed Water Conservation Best Management Practices will be posted on the District website: [www.cottonwoodwater.org](http://www.cottonwoodwater.org).

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