

May 2022

# YOUR WATER NEWS RESOURCE



**Cottonwood Board Meeting**  
Tuesday May 17, 2022  
6:30pm  
8334 Sandreed Circle,  
Parker

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.



**Cottonwood**  
Water & Sanitation District

188 Inverness Drive West #150  
Englewood, CO 80112

During normal business hours call:  
303-792-9509

After Hours Water Emergencies call:  
303-426-3167

Visit our website to stay informed:  
[CottonwoodWater.org](http://CottonwoodWater.org)

## 2022 Irrigation Season, May 1st - October 31st

Irrigation season has begun! In 2021, the District implemented the Best Management Practices for Stage 1 Outdoor Water Conservation. Please follow the guidelines below to conserve outdoor water use and save yourself money;

1. Allows for lawn irrigation between May 1 and October 31.
2. Water lawns no more than three days per week. (You choose the days.)
3. Lawn irrigation shall occur between 6:00 pm and 9:00 am.
4. Allows for watering of trees during the day time, if possible.
5. Allows for watering planter beds outside of the hours noted above to avoid damaging perennial landscaping.
6. Allows for new turf or seed planted between May 1 and October 15 through a New Turf Variance permit issued by the District for a period of 30-days.
7. Do not waste water by allowing it to pool in gutters and streets.
8. Do not waste water by letting it spray 3 feet beyond the designated irrigated area.
9. Do not water while it is raining or during high winds.
10. Repair a leaky sprinkler system within 10 days

## Board of Directors Vacancy

There is currently a board member vacancy. The Board meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the District Meeting House at 8334 Sandreed Circle, Parker, CO. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact the District office c/o Kelly Conover at Mulhern MRE, 188 Inverness Drive West, Suite 150, Englewood, CO 80112, via email at [kelly@mulhernmre.com](mailto:kelly@mulhernmre.com) or 720-274-8309. You will be forwarded a Board of Directors Application form to be submitted along with a short letter of interest and a resume or summary of qualifications.



COLORADO WATER  
**LIVE LIKE YOU LOVE IT®**

# HOW TO WATER YOUR YARD IN COLORADO

WHEN IT COMES TO WATERING YOUR YARD, DO YOU JUST SET YOUR SPRINKLERS AND FORGET THEM? IN AN ARID STATE LIKE COLORADO, IT'S IMPORTANT TO WATER YOUR YARD THE RIGHT WAY TO CONSERVE OUR PRECIOUS WATER RESOURCES AND PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT. HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP...

Is rain forecasted?

Turn off your sprinklers or install a rain sensor. Let Mother Nature do the watering for you.

Water before dawn or after dusk to...  
reduce water loss from wind and evaporation.

Check utility website for water use guidelines and rules.

Check sprinklers monthly for leaks and overspray.

Have brown or yellow spots?

Water using the "cycle & soak" method.

Break up your total watering time into three shorter intervals spaced 45-60 minutes apart.

Adjust misdirected sprinkler heads and replace broken sprinklers immediately.

Hand-water them rather than overwatering the rest of your landscape.

Live like you love Colorado water by doing your part to save water outdoors!

# COLORADO WATER

BY THE NUMBERS

1%

Just 1% of the water on earth is available for human consumption.



Four major rivers originate in Colorado (Colorado, Platte, Arkansas and Rio Grande), but this water is shared with other states.



Colorado's population is expected to nearly double by 2050- with no increase in water supply.



Just 20% of our precipitation falls on the eastern slope of Colorado, but 80% of the population and irrigation needs are here.



Around 50% of home water usage goes toward watering landscape.



The Colorado Water Plan predicts that by 2050, the state could face a supply gap of over 500,000 acre-feet of water.

Visit [lovecoloradowater.org](http://lovecoloradowater.org) for more water-savings resources. We also encourage you to visit your local water provider's website for additional information and possible incentives!

# WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO WATER YOUR YARD EFFICIENTLY IN COLORADO?

## 1. PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

When we overwater our yard, harmful pollutants like pesticides and pet waste enter local creeks.



## 2. COLORADO IS A HEADWATERS STATE.

We share our water supply with 18 other states, so we need to use our water efficiently.



## 3. OUR POPULATION IS GROWING.

Colorado's population has increased by 15% in the last decade, but our water supplies remain the same [or less].



## 4. OUR CLIMATE IS CHANGING.

Warmer temperatures and decreased snow/rainfall mean less water to fill our reservoirs.



## 5. COLORADO HAS MANY WATER NEEDS.

In addition to urban water use, agriculture, recreation and the environment are also top priority water uses in Colorado.



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