

*Your Water News Resource*

## Get Ready for Fall

As the summer heat dies down, so does irrigation season. Please reduce your outdoor watering with the cooler weather.

### Remember:

**Starting November 1st, your water allocation budget is set to your indoor-only allocation.**

This allocation is your 2024-2025 winter average plus 1,500 gallons per month. Your winter average is stated on your bill as "SU AVE USE" If you moved into your home after March 2025, your winter average for this year is 4,050 gallons/month (the district average) and will be recalculated for 2026 with usage from December 2025-March 2026.

As an example, if your 2024-2025 Winter Average water use was 5,000 gallons, your indoor-only allocation calculation is as follows:

- WU Water Usage = 5,000 gal + 1,500 gal = 6,500 gallons/month (November 1-April 31)
- Sewer Average Use (SU AVE USE) = 5,000 gallons/month

### Don't forget to prepare for freezing temperatures!

October in Colorado is a beautiful but unpredictable time, with the first freeze often arriving early in the Denver Metro area. To prevent costly damage from frozen or burst pipes, it's important to prepare in advance. Homeowners should know the location of their water shut-off valve and test it regularly in case of an emergency. Turning off and draining sprinkler systems, disconnecting hoses from outdoor faucets, and winterizing unheated or vacant buildings are also key steps. Additionally, insulating vulnerable pipes, especially those near exterior walls or in unheated areas, can help prevent freezing and potential damage.

### Save the Date

Budget and rates for 2026 will be discussed at the regular meeting occurring on November 20, 2025. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Fall Project Planning: Call 811 Before you Dig!

To avoid accidentally damaging a buried utility line, call 811 a few days before you plan to break ground. A utility operator in your area will come out to mark any buried utility lines on your property with paint or flags.



## Cottonwood Community Garden: Join the 2026 Interest List

From every garden bed bursting with life to the addition of our brand-new Demonstration Gardens, 2025 has been a season full of growth and excitement. For 2026, we're looking to expand our garden community!

If you have ever dreamed of having your own plot to grow fresh veggies, herbs, or flowers, now is your chance. Join our interest list today by scanning the QR code or by emailing [becca@mulhernmre.com](mailto:becca@mulhernmre.com).

We can't wait to see what next season brings!

Scan this QR Code to  
sign up for the 2026  
Cottonwood Community  
Garden Interest List



## Cottonwood Water & Sanitation District

### Next Meeting of the Board:

**Thursday, October 16, 2025**  
8334 Sandreed Circle, Parker CO  
Starting at 6:30 PM  
The Public is Invited to Attend

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[www.cottonwoodwater.org](http://www.cottonwoodwater.org)

### Partnership Announcements:

### Cottonwood Highlands Metropolitan District No. 1 Annual Meeting Public Notice

**Tuesday, October 21, 2025**  
8334 Sandreed Circle  
Parker, CO 80134  
And via Microsoft Teams  
Meeting ID: 255 785 548 159 5  
Passcode: kZ7oj9Kt  
Starting at 6:30pm