

Your Water News Resource



Next Meeting of the Board

Thursday, October 17, 2024 @ 6:30pm
at the Cottonwood Meeting House
8334 Sandreed Circle, Parker, CO 80134

The Public is Invited to Attend

Save the Date Public Hearing on 2025 Budget and Rates

Budget and rates for 2025 will be discussed at the regular meeting occurring on November 21, 2024. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



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Imagine a Day Without Water
October 17, 2024

Imagine a Day Without Water is a national education campaign led by the US Water Alliance. This day serves as a National Day of Action to highlight how water is essential, invaluable, and in need of investment by both communities and policymakers. This year, the Cottonwood Water and Sanitation District invites you to learn more about where your water comes from and the processes it goes through before we can deliver it to you. Go to cottonwoodwater.org/faq-about-our-water-1 for more information about your water.

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 2023-2024 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 2024, your winter average for this year is 4,050 gallons/month (the district average).

As an example, if your 2023-2024 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 gal
- Sewer Average Use (SU AVE USE) = 5,000 gal

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.

Walker Reservoir

Walker Reservoir, a collaborative project involving Cottonwood Water, Castle Rock Water, Inverness Water, and Pinery Water, has recently been completed near Franktown after nearly two decades of planning and effort. This accomplishment marks a significant milestone for Cottonwood Water, as it provides much-needed water storage that will be crucial for long-term sustainability, particularly during periods of drought. The reservoir is intended to generate roughly 46 million gallons of water supply per year for Cottonwood Water use, which is equivalent of approximately 2.5 months of the District's demands in the winter months. This project highlights the long-term commitment of Cottonwood Water, and customers like you, for continuing to support water supply projects for the sustainability of our community today and well into the future. Thank you!



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