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## **FALL 2022 NEWSLETTER**



**FALL SPRINKLER BLOW OUT.** The first freeze in Northern Colorado generally occurs in mid-October. Blow out your sprinkler system before a freeze to avoid water loss through leaks and costly repairs. If hiring a service company, be sure to contact them early as they tend to fill up quickly.

## SAVE YOUR TREES AND SHRUBS

- Water trees and shrubs during a dry fall and winter to prevent root damage that affects the health of the entire plant.
- Apply 10 gallons of water a month for each diameter inch of the tree. For example, a two-inch diameter tree needs 20 gallons per watering.
- Water newly planted trees and shrubs twice a month.
- Decrease watering to account for precipitation.
- Apply water from the edge of the branches to the trunk.
- ◆ Water only when air and soil temperatures are above 40°F with no snow cover.
- Apply water in the middle of the day so it has time to soak in before possibly freezing at night.

Do not use your sprinkler system during the winter. Water trees and shrubs with an Arbor Bag or Soaker Hose.

Visit Colorado State University Extension: Fall and Winter Watering guide for more info.



LTWD partners with Resource Central to bring you the Lawn Replacement Program! Get on the list for next year! Learn more at resourcecentral.org/lawn/ or call 303-999-3820!



LAWN REPLACEMENT PROGRAM





irrigation









Remove or hire our Lawn Removal Service

## DO YOU HAVE AN UNUSUALLY HIGH WATER

**BILL?** Sign up for an EyeOnWater account to see if you have a leak and get notifications about leaks to save you money!

Typical Colorado Household Water Use

Shower 11%
Dishwasher 1%
Toilet 12%

Faucet 8%

Clothes Washing

EyeOnWater Steps to Create an EyeOnWater Account 1. Enter your service or billing address ZIP/Postal Code. 2. Enter your account number as it appears on your water bill. Don't have a copy of your water bill? Contact your utility. SAMPLE WATER BILL SERVICE LOCATION JOHN SMITH 123 MAIN STREET DUE DATE **CURRENT CHARGES** \$45.50 01/15/201 3. Enter and confirm your email address. 4. Create and confirm your password. 5. Read and accept the Terms of Use. 6. Verify your email address in the confirmation email. 7. Enjoy using EyeOnWater!

**DID YOU KNOW?** All customers have an allotment (limit) of how much water they can use each year. If customers use more than their allotment, then they may be subject to higher rates, surcharges, and/or may have to purchase additional water supplies.

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<u>Water supplies are expensive and scarce</u>. Water bills only cover the cost to treat and deliver the water already owned by the District. The cost to purchase additional supplies for customers that use more than their annual allotment is more than 40 times

Tap Annual Allotment

Conservation (Urban) 114,000 Gallons

Standard 228,000 Gallons

that use more than their annual allotment is more than 40 times higher than our top water tier rate for our Standard tap customers and more than 18 times higher than our allotment surcharge rate for our Urban tap.

Colorado State University Extension

<u>Colorado is in a persistent drought.</u> This could mean less water supply, which currently comes from the Colorado River basin, available to the District in any given year. Along with persistent drought, the hot, dry weather increases water demand.

## **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

The District has tools, tips, and programs to help you save water and money:

- Download the Eye on Water app.
- · Increase your watering efficiency.
- Reduce lawns and plant beautiful low water use plants.
- Resource Central conservation programs include Lawn Replacement, Slow the Flow, and many Waterwise Webinars.
- Take advantage of District water saving plants, trees and soil amendment rebate programs.
- Appropriate lawn size for tap type to stay under water allotment:
  - Conservation tap customers should have lawns smaller than 2,500 square feet paired with water saving plants.
  - Standard residential tap customers should have lawns smaller than 7,000 square feet paired with water saving plants.



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