



Pinery Pipeline

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Water Conservation..... You're in Control

Yes, it was an incredible winter in Colorado. Above average snow provided wonderful assistance toward filling reservoirs and insuring ample resources of water for Spring 2008.

BUT, water remains a precious, limited resource in our environment. Growing populations and droughts will continue to squeeze our water resources dry, causing natural habitat degradation and impacting our everyday use of water.

There is no choice but to continually pay attention to how we are using water *and* how we may be wasting it. We must bridge the gap between our understanding of how important water is to our quality of life and what we can do to ensure that we have an adequate supply of clean water for years to come.

CHALLENGE: *Try to do just one thing each day to save water.* Don't worry if the savings seems minimal, each drop counts. Every person *can* make a difference!

On a daily basis, think about where water is used and where there might be water wasted..... Toilets? Sinks? Showers & Baths? Landscaping? Kitchen?



Finally, make sure your children are aware of the need to conserve water. They too can share in the effort!



Great Resources for Conservation Tips



The following websites are provided solely as suggested resources for information about conserving water and xeriscaping.

Colorado Water Conservation Board
www.cwcb.state.co.us

Douglas County Water Resources Authority
www.dwater.org

Xeriscape Colorado
www.xeriscape.org

Colorado Waterwise Council
www.coloradowaterwise.org

Colorado State University Extension
www.ext.colostate.edu

Colorado River Water Conservation District
www.crwcd.org

American Water Works Association
www.awwa.org

Northern Colorado Water Conservation District
www.ncwcd.org



Grant received by District

In March, the District received a \$19,000 planning grant from the Colorado Water Conservation Board. This grant will be used to develop a new Water Conservation Plan for the District. The District adopted a water conservation plan in 2001 which set conservation goals for the District. In 2004, the Colorado Legislature established new requirements for water conservation plans. This grant will be used to prepare a plan that meets the new requirements. We are just getting started on this project, but there will be opportunities later this year for public input on the plan and our goals. Stay tuned...

DID YOU KNOW..... A leaking service line or pipe in your home can add up to a significant amount of water waste? A small hole in a pipe (one-sixteenth of an inch) wastes 74,000 gallons in a three-month period. That is enough water to wash approximately 900 loads of laundry!



Don't procrastinate, fix the leak today!



A day in the life of our District Manager...

Charlie Krogh, our District Manager describes his job as one that varies each and every day. He is the main interface between the Board of Directors and the Staff, plus he is the "Chief Executive" of the District. His responsibilities include overseeing of the water and wastewater operations, as well as the customer service department. He reports that, "My job is made easier by the well qualified and experienced staff of the District, they know their jobs and what needs to be done. I monitor, answer questions and provide guidance along the way; this allows me to focus on the other aspects of the job."

What are those other aspects of the job? They include meeting and with developers, as well as representing the District in various organizations which include the following:

Cherry Creek Project Water Authority – This Authority was created by four providers to purchase and develop water rights held by a private water company that was in bankruptcy (2005). The District's partners are the Water and Wastewater Authority, the Inverness Water and Sanitation District, and the Cottonwood Water and Sanitation District.

Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority – This Authority, which was created by the State Legislature, is responsible for the water quality of the Cherry Creek Reservoir. The Authority Board has 17 members made up of the Counties, Cities, and Towns in the watershed, plus 7 Governor appointees, and one representative of the 7 wastewater dischargers along Cherry Creek. Mr. Krogh has served on this Board for the past 10 years.

Douglas County Water Resources Authority – This organization is focused on water conservation and education. The membership consists of Douglas County government and water providers in Douglas and Arapahoe Counties.

South Metro Water Supply Authority – Mr. Krogh currently serves as President of the Board of the SMWSA. It is made up of 13 water providers in Arapahoe and Douglas Counties with the mission of acquiring, developing, and bringing renewable water supplies to its members.

Mr. Krogh has been with the District for 10 years and in that time, the District has more than doubled the number of customers, as well as the facilities needed to support the growth.

