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SUMMER 2021

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Since our last issue of the Pipeline Newsletter (Spring 2021), ACWWA has welcomed two new Board Members. Board positions are appointed annually, at the discretion of the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners. Two of the five County Commissioners Nancy Shape and Jeff Baker, also currently serve on ACWWA's Board.

MEET OUR TWO NEWEST DIRECTORS:

Derek Killebrew has served his community on a number of Board and Commissions. He has a strong background in finance and government which will complement ACWWA's existing board. Mr. Killebrew is certified in six sigma and private sector training.

Perry Deeds graduated from the Bush School of Government at Texas A & M University with an emphasis in Public Management and as a resident, believes it is important that all segments of the community be represented and have a voice in regard to decisions that are made in their communities of residence. Mr. Deeds is a member of ASHRAE.



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ACWWA 2020 Financial Audit



The 2020 annual audit performed by Rubin Brown LLP, was approved at the April Board meeting. As with prior years, ACWWA received an unmodified “clean” opinion with no material weaknesses nor significant deficiencies reported. In addition, ACWWA was found in compliance with all financial covenants. Highlights for the year are as follows:

- ✓ Actual vs. Budget – Expenditures \$9.7M less than budget
- ✓ 2020 vs. 2019 Operating expenses – \$321K reduction from prior year
- ✓ Capital Improvements - \$16.8M project spend or \$8.35M less than budget
- ✓ Decrease in Net Interest Expense \$1.35M
- ✓ Increase in Net Position of \$10.1M
- ✓ Decrease in Total Liabilities of \$2.9M

Additional information relating to the 2020 audit can be found at: <https://acwwa.com/2236/Finance>

Slow the Flow

Solve your Sprinklers.

Maintain a beautiful landscape while saving water with a FREE sprinkler consultation!



FREE
SPRINKLER
CHECK-UP

Free Residential Sprinkler Consultation

Arapahoe County Water and Wastewater Authority (ACWWA) is always looking for ways to help our customers conserve water. One of the easier ways to use less water is through efficient irrigation practices. During the summer months, the amount of water that ACWWA customers use is roughly 3.5 times the amount that is used during a typical winter month. This spike in usage from irrigation accounts for about 45% of the total amount of water used throughout the entire year. This summer, ACWWA is working with Resource Central to provide free sprinkler system consultations to our residential customers. Resource Central Technicians will run a few tests to check your sprinklers efficiency and diagnose any problems your system might have. At the end of your consultation, you will receive a customized watering schedule designed to reduce water usage and keep your lawn healthy and beautiful all summer long! Inspections last about 90 minutes and could help you save thousands of gallons of water each year. Only a limited number of consultations are available, so sign up now! Call (303) 999-3824 or sign up at:

www.resourcecentral.org/sprinklers.



What Time to Water Your Lawn? To water well, timing is everything. It is best to water in the early morning – between 6a.m. and 10 a.m., as midday watering leads to wasteful evaporation. Lawn watering is NOT allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

How Long to Water Your Lawn? It is ideal to water lawns about one inch of water per week. To determine how long you need to water to get one inch, place a plastic container in your yard and set a timer. On average, it will take 30 minutes to get a half inch of water. So, 20 minutes, three times per week will give a lawn about an inch of water.

How Often to Water Your Lawn? Watering grass daily will result in a shallow root system. And shallow root systems dry out fast, weakening lawns. Infrequent, deep watering encourages grass roots to run deep, developing strong systems below-ground. This allows lawns to be more resilient to changing weather while becoming hardier and disease resistant.

As we transition into the beginning of Summer, ACWWA is evaluating our water resources and executing plans to ensure responsible water usage. While we have experienced a wet start to the Spring here on the Front Range, we are still anticipating a hot, dry summer and are making appropriate preparations. As such, ACWWA is implementing Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures beginning June 20th and running through September 30th. These measures include a mandatory Watering Schedule of no more than **three (3) times per week** as presented below. Watering is also **not permitted from 10am to 6pm**. Customers in violation of these measures are subject to additional charges. The full text of the Water Conservation Response Plan can be found on our website under the Water Efficiency tab (acwwa.com/31/Water-Efficiency).

1. Following the first documented violation, the violator shall receive a written warning.
2. Following the second and any further documented violations, the violator will receive a fine as set out in the above-referenced Water Conservation Response Plan.

2021 Stage 2 Watering Calendar

June 2021						
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August 2021						
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September 2021						
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