

## Did You Know?

Denver Water is responsible for the collection, storage, quality control and distribution of drinking water to nearly one-fourth of all Coloradans. Established in 1918, the utility is a public agency funded by water rates and new tap fees, not taxes. It is Colorado's oldest and largest water utility.

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***In an emergency call the District's main office number 24 hours a day at 303-985-7895. Calls received outside normal working hours will be answered by the District's answering service and the information will be directed to on call service personnel for assistance.***

### LAKEHURST WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT

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## 2010 SDA Distinguished Board Member Award Winner

The Special District Association of Colorado sponsors an annual conference each year to educate board members on the affect current issues may have on our districts.

At this year's conference, Jerry L. Newlander of Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District was recognized and honored with The Distinguished Board Member Award. Jerry has served as a board member for the last 24 years, holding the positions of President, Vice President and now Treasurer.



*Jerry L. Newlander*

Jerry has helped guide the growth and development of the District while providing long-term leadership to fellow board members, managers and staff.

Quick with a smile and word of encouragement, Jerry has always managed to provide positive feedback to staff and management alike. He initiated

and promoted cooperative communications between Lakehurst Water and Sanitation, Denver Water, Metro Wastewater and the Districts' customers. He is a consistent advocate for a balanced approach with regard to water and wastewater services, budgets and conservation efforts.

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Jerry also serves his community through his work at his church, including serving on their board of trustees, volunteering with seniors and working as the superintendent of the church.

## **District Water and Sewer Rates Increase in 2011**

The Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District Board of Directors approved the 2011 Budget and adopted new water and sewer rates effective January 1, 2011. The Board's action was in response to a 14.6% increase in Master Meter water rates from Denver Water, a 7% rate increase from Metro Wastewater, as well as increases resulting from overall cost of services.

Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District assesses no mill levy to its property owners and relies on water and sewer rates for revenue. These revenues are used to purchase water and offset the operation and maintenance expenses for over 76 miles of various-size water mains and replacing the aging water system. The Lakehurst Board and staff continues to find ways to improve efficiency and cut costs through prudent management practices, while providing good quality services at a reasonable rate. These rate increases will affect all District commercial and residential customers.

The charge for water usage will increase from \$3.25 per thousand gallons to \$3.75 for each thousand gallons of water used. The monthly base charge will also be increased from \$5.25/SFE/month to \$5.50/SFE/month. The monthly base charge covers the on-going costs to maintain and replace customer's water meters as needed.

There will also be a slight increase to the monthly sewer fees for 2011. The monthly flat fee will change from \$15.00 to \$17.00 per month.

Additional information regarding the rate increases or other water or sewer related topics can be obtained from the Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District office at (303) 985-7895.

## **Recycled Water**

Water is a precious resource here in the West, much too precious to use just once. That's why Denver Water started a program to treat and recycle wastewater from the Robert W.

Hite Treatment Plant. Once build-out is complete, the project will supply more than five billion gallons of recycled water every year — water for irrigation, for industrial use, for lakes in our parks and for golf courses — water we don't have to take from a reservoir.

Denver Water's recycled water is disinfected before leaving the treatment plant, and in some locations, the water is dechlorinated to protect aquatic life.

Daily operator checks are performed at the Recycle Plant to ensure water quality. Online analyzers and remote sample stations are used throughout the distribution system to monitor water quality and confirm it is acceptable at customer sites. Additional water quality analyses are conducted at Denver Water's water quality lab, which is a certified laboratory. Recycled water quality is monitored vigorously by Denver Water and must meet internal standards that are more stringent than CDPHE regulations. For more on recycled water visit [www.denverwater.org](http://www.denverwater.org).

## **Three Capital Rehabilitation Projects Slated for 2011**

Included in the 2011 approved Budget are three capital/rehabilitation projects, two of which will be completed in 2011.

On the water side, the District will replace approximately 1,300 feet of six-inch cement asbestos water main on S. Yank Street between W. Quincy Ave. and W. Stanford Ave. This project is needed due to the number of breaks experienced on this section of pipe in the past three years. The multi-year hydrant replacement program that includes replacing 10 older hydrants per year will continue in 2011.

Sewer capital/rehabilitation projects include repair of 620 feet of 15-inch clay tile pipe on the Weaver Gulch Outfall line. Due to the location of this line, a cured-in-place "no excavation" process will be considered.

The third and largest project in the budget the Board is considering is the re-location and upsizing of another segment of the Weaver Gulch Sewer Outfall located in the Fehringer Ranch area. This project is still under review for feasibility but has been included in the 2011 budget. If you should have any questions regarding any of the projects listed, please contact the District manager at (303) 985-7895.