

## Fire Hydrant Replacement Program Continues

Lakehurst customers will notice fire hydrants in some neighborhoods being replaced with new ones. This is part of an on-going, multi-year effort by the District to replace old, non-repairable hydrants. Fire hydrants are an essential part of the overall water system, used not only for fire protection but as a mechanism for flushing the water system to insure water quality.

Each hydrant is maintained on an annual basis and assessed for reliability, age, overall condition and repair parts availability. It is sometimes less expensive to replace the entire hydrant than repair it. The district replaces approximately ten (10) fire hydrant assemblies each year. If the hydrant adjacent to your property is scheduled to be replaced in 2013, you will be notified in advance prior to the start of work. It will be the responsibility of the homeowner to remove any flowers, bushes or plants around the hydrant if you intend to keep them. The contractor will be responsible for replacing ground cover only, i.e.: rock, sod, or decorative landscape cover. If you should have any questions regarding this project, please contact the office.

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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.***

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## Denver Water Modifies Watering Restrictions Moves to Stage 1

Denver Water's supply situation has greatly improved thanks to an unexpected wet spring and customer's reduced water use. As a result, Denver Water has declared a Stage 1 Drought which removes the two-day-per-week assigned watering schedule, effective June 26, 2013. **Customers may water no more than three days per week and must adhere to all annual watering rules below.** Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District will continue to enforce the permanent water use restrictions and summer water use guidelines for all outdoor irrigation.

Lakehurst Water, being a contract distributor of Denver Water, is obligated to follow and enforce those portions of Denver's 2013 water use program that have been incorporated into its Operating Rules.

With the dry conditions, you should reconsider laying new seed or sod. If you choose to plant, the following rules apply: newly planted seed or sod may be watered as necessary for up to 21 days. After 21 days, watering is limited to no more than three days a week and not between the 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Remember the more you use, the more you pay.

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Lakehurst encourages all of its customers to continue wise water use and avoid wasting a valuable resource. Therefore, the District's Board of Directors determined that it was necessary to adopt a water use program that mirrors the program adopted by Denver Water. The water saving rules listed below focus on wise water use while discouraging water waste.

### **Watering Rules:**

- 1. No watering with spray irrigation between the hours of 10am and 6pm.**
- 2. Routine watering of turf shall be limited to three days per week of your choice. (No assigned days)**
- 3. Adjust irrigation system programming to suit the needs of each month.**
- 4. Turn irrigation system off when it rains.**
- 5. Make repairs to irrigation system in a timely manner.**
- 6. Do not apply more water than is necessary to establish and maintain a healthy landscape.**
- 7. Adjust sprinkler heads for their intended use.**
- 8. Do not irrigate during high winds.**
- 9. Do not waste water by allowing water to pool on sidewalks, streets or in gutters.**

For more information regarding the 2013 Water Use Program and more water saving tips, visit our web site at [www.lakehurstwater.org](http://www.lakehurstwater.org) or Denver's web site at [www.denverwater.org](http://www.denverwater.org).

## **2013 Consumer Confidence Reports Mailed to District Customers**

All Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District customers should have already received or will be receiving soon, the Denver Water Consumer Confidence Report. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) mandates that all public water systems provide their customers with an annual water quality report or Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District operates under a contract with Denver Water to provide treated water to District customers. This report contains information

regarding water quality regulations, quality of water provided by Denver Water, as well as source water information. If you should have any questions regarding the information on the Consumer Confidence Report or any other water quality questions, please call the District office at (303) 985-7895 or Denver Water at (303) 628-6000.

## **About Our Water Supply**



*The Blue River is one of Denver Water's primary water sources.*

The majority of Denver's water comes from rivers and streams fed by mountain snowmelt. The South Platte River, Blue River, Williams Fork River and Fraser River watersheds are Denver Water's primary water sources, but it also uses water from the South Boulder Creek, Ralston Creek and Bear Creek watersheds. Dillon Reservoir is Denver Water's largest storage facility and holds nearly 40 percent of Denver's water.

Denver Water collects readings at stream gauges and reservoirs throughout the system to track streamflow, diversions, snowpack and other water-supply data. The data in the following reports reflect average conditions over the course of 24 hours at the reporting locations. All data are preliminary and subject to revision. For more information, call 303-628-6510 (please direct other general questions to 303-628-6000). The *Colorado Division of Water Resource's Water Talk* phone line at 303-831-7135 provides current streamflow information at stream gages located throughout Colorado.