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For all concerns and questions and In case of 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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# **District Rates For 2019**

In response to an increase in master meter water rates and service fee from Denver Water, the Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District Board of Directors has voted to increase rates in 2019. The water rate increase will affect all District commercial and residential customers. The monthly service fee will be increased in 2019 as well. This fee covers the on-going costs to maintain and replace customer's water meters as needed and to off-set the master meter service fee assessed by Denver Water to Lakehurst for 2019. The sanitary sewer rates increase will affect all District commercial and residential customers. New rates take effect January 1, 2019.

### WATER RATES

Monthly	2018	2019
Service Fee	\$6.63	\$9.07
Consumption/ 1,000 gallons	\$4.72	\$4.91

### **SEWER RATES**

Monthly	2018	2019
Sewer Service	\$21.10	\$22.92

Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District does not have a property tax and must rely on water and sewer

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rates for revenue. These revenues are used to purchase water and offset the operation and maintenance expenses for over 76 miles of water mains and 68 miles of sewer mains as well as the replacement of the aging water and sewer system.

Lakehurst continues to provide services among the lowest rates in Denver suburban areas.

Additional information regarding the rate increase or other water or sewer related topics can be obtained from **www.lakehurstwater.org** or by calling Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District office at (303) 985-7895.

## System Rehabilitation Projects Scheduled for 2019

Lakehurst's Board of Directors included several Capital/ Rehabilitation projects in the 2019 budget.

On the water side, the District will continue the on-going project of replacing six fire hydrants next year. This program is designed to replace non-repairable hydrants that have become very difficult to maintain due to age or availability of repair parts. Another water project scheduled for 2019 includes the replacement and relocation of a 12-inch water line in W. Quincy Avenue between S. Simms St. and S. Swadley Ct. This water line replacement is phase one of three in conjunction with the proposed Jefferson County Quincy Road widening project scheduled for 2019/20.

A large sewer rehabilitation project scheduled for 2019 consists of re-lining approximately 3,741 feet of 24-inch concrete sewer line and rehabilitating 13 manholes. The location of the project is in W. Hampden frontage road, between S. Estes Street and S. Carr Street. This rehabilitation project will be completed using a "no-dig" process, minimizing surface, traffic and service disruption.

Lakehurst always strives to take the most proactive, feasible and financially responsible approach with all its capital and rehabilitation projects.

# 2017-2018 Was Colorado's Warmest Year Ever and Second Driest

2017-2018 was the warmest year in 124 years recorded in Colorado history and the second driest. The closest rivals to the heat of the past year were in 2002 and a year in the 1930s.

2002 was actually a drier year precipitation wise. This past year was not only dry in the Four Corners area but across the entire state.

The northeastern corner of the state was a notable exception, with average to above average precipitation. But even in the northwestern corner, the Yampa River ran low and there was a first-time call imposed on water users of the river.

The year's high was 110 degrees Fahrenheit at Las Animas, along the Arkansas River. The coldest temperature was 29 below zero in late January near Crested Butte.

Higher overnight temperatures were even more pronounced, there were 2,971 highest minimum temperatures and just 292 lowest minimum temperatures.

Mountain towns we not exempt from the heat. Steamboat Springs had 11 days of 90-plus temperatures, above the average of 4 but well short of the record the record 29 days in 2002.

# Sewer Overflows and Backups

Sewer overflows and backup are increasingly being caused by the grease blocking sewers. Grease gets into the sewers from household drains as well as from poorly maintained grease traps in restaurants and other businesses.

### The results of these overflows and backups are:

- Raw sewage overflowing in your home or your neighbor's home, damaging home interiors, an expensive and unpleasant cleanup that you, as a homeowner, must often pay for.
- Raw sewage overflowing into yards, streets, and parks, threatening the environment.
- Potential health hazards caused by contact with disease-causing organisms;
- Higher sewer bills due to increase in local wastewater department operation and maintenance cost.