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Consumers can now pay their water bills online; view current and previous bills; billing dates; gallons used; amount billed; and payment due date at [www.lakehurstwater.org](http://www.lakehurstwater.org)

There is a user fee of \$2.50 per transaction for online payments. We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and E-checks for your convenience.

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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.**

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## **Denver Water Lead Reduction Plan**

On July 1, 2019, Denver Water announced an education and outreach plan to inform the public about its proposed Lead Reduction Program Plan. The Lead Reduction Plan is being proposed as an alternative to adding orthophosphate to the water system. Orthophosphate is a food additive commonly added to water to minimize corrosion and reduce the amount of lead released from pipes and fixtures.

The water delivered to Lakehurst customers is lead-free and Lakehurst has verified that it has **no lead service lines**.

However, lead can get into water as it moves through a customer's lead-containing internal plumbing. If you would like to test your drinking water, Denver Water is providing, free of charge, a water test kit that may be obtained by calling Denver Water Customer care at (303) 893-2444 or by completing an on-line request at [www.denverwater.org/lead](http://www.denverwater.org/lead). If you have trouble completing the request, please call Lakehurst and staff will be happy to help you.

## **Automatic Payment Plan is Available**

Lakehurst water is offering an automatic payment plan that is free of charge. You may draw off either your checking or savings account. Joint accounts must be

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signed by both parties and a voided check attached. You will continue to receive your monthly statement and the balance will automatically be drawn from your account on the 20th of each month.

Automatic payments begin the following month the form is received in our office. You may opt out at any time by returning the Opt-out portion on the bottom of the form.

Additional automatic payment forms are available at [Lakehurstwater.org](http://Lakehurstwater.org). Click on district forms tab and to the left an ACH (auto clearing house) sign up form is available for printing.

## 12 Ways to Winterize Your Home and Prevent Broken Water Pipes This Winter

October is the perfect month to winterize. There are many things that homeowners can do to make the winter months more comfortable.

- Before winterizing your sprinkler system, check for leaks and broken sprinkler heads and have them repaired to expedite your spring irrigation.
- Winterizing your sprinkler system is simple: turn water off, drain valves, and blow out with compressed air.
- Drain and disconnect your swamp cooler before temperatures drop below freezing.
- Clean your gutters; once the leaves fall, remove debris and rinse with a garden hose so melting snow and rain can drain properly.
- Clogged drains can cause water to pool and freeze, producing hazardous conditions.
- Make sure that garden hoses are disconnected from outside faucets.
- Check your furnace to make sure it's working before the cold days of winter descend and don't forget to change the filters.
- Insulate any gaps between the foundation and the framing of homes and insulate areas that have water pipes in outside walls to help protect against freezing.
- Seal outside leaks with weather-resistant caulk. Use masonry sealer for brick areas, which withstands the elements of weather.

- Remove screens and replace with storm windows.
- Insulated covers for outside faucets are available at hardware stores.
- Reversing your ceiling fan will push warm air down forcing it to recirculate; Blades should be turning clockwise.
- Keeping garage doors closed during very cold weather will help to prevent water pipes above the garage or in garage walls from freezing.

## Do You Know Where Your Shut-Off Valve is Located

Do you know where your main water shut-off is? Have you inspected it lately for ease of use or a leak?

Because shut-off valves are often located in the basement or crawlspace, they are frequently ignored until a problem arises. A small drip can lead to mold or damage to possessions and your home. Minerals can build up and make it difficult to operate when you need to turn off water for a repair.

If your main shut-off valve is old and hard to operate, a licensed plumber can replace it with a newer model before a leak occurs and larger issues arise.

## District Welcomes New Maintenance Employee

The District would like to welcome AJ Quintana as its newest full-time maintenance employee. AJ was hired in March 2019.

AJ grew up in Littleton and has been married to his wife, Danielle, for five years. AJ is currently working towards his Operator I certifications in both water and wastewater.

When AJ is not at work, he enjoys spending time with his family, playing softball, and various other outdoor activities. AJ has grown up around this type of work learning from his Dad, Armando, who has worked in the water and wastewater industry for over 20 years.

We want to welcome AJ to Lakehurst.

