

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

There is a user fee of \$2.50 per transaction for online payments, which covers the costs the District must pay to credit card companies to provide the service. We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and E-checks for your convenience.

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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Save Our Shade – Trees Need a Drink in Winter

It may not be time to water your lawn, but your trees could use a drink. Prolonged dry periods and high winds can dry trees and top soil, and watering your trees will help ensure their optimum health.

Denver Water has tips to keep trees healthy during winter dry spells:

- Apply water to the root area one to two times a month.
- Water slowly; apply water as wide as the tree's canopy or branches.
- Water efficiently, using a deep-root fork needle, soaker hose, soft spray wand.
- If you use a hand-held hose, don't leave the hose unattended, as water runoff can occur.
- Apply mulch a depth of three inches around the base of the trunk to help retain soil moisture during winter months.
- Water only when temperature is above 40 degrees and there is no snow on the ground.
- Stressed trees are more vulnerable to disease and insect infestations. Make sure to watch trees for any unhealthy signs and consult a professional for remediation options.
- A healthy tree needs 10 gallons of water for every inch diameter of the trunk.

Lakehurst Cancels Board Member Election

The Designated Election Official (DEO) of the Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District officially cancelled its regular election to fill two of the five Board of Directors positions.

In accordance with State law, the election was cancelled on March 1, 2016 and the following incumbent candidates were chosen to serve a four-year term; Mr. David Bane, and Mr. Steven Posavec.

Lakehurst Water and Sanitation District is governed by a five member Board of Directors, who are taxpayers within the District. They are elected by the eligible electors of the District to serve staggered four year terms. The Directors are responsible for establishing policies of the District and are responsible for overseeing operations.

2016 Residential Rebate Program

Lakehurst Water is pleased to inform our customers of available rebates for residential customers interested in high efficiency appliances and irrigation system enhancers.

WaterSense-labeled toilets: One gallons per flush or less (up to \$150 rebate)

- One gallons per flush or less toilets qualify for up to a \$150 rebate.
- Limit *three* toilet rebates per residence per a 10-year period. Please call 303-628-6343 if you are unsure of previous rebates.

Rotary/high-efficiency irrigation nozzles (\$3 rebate per nozzle)

- Rotary nozzle information.
- Rotary Nozzles, which fit on most popup spray heads, rotate streams of water and thereby reduce water waste.
- <u>Eligible models</u> include Hunter MP[®], Rain Bird[®], Toro[®] Precision[™] and K-Rain rotary nozzles.
- Minimum purchase is 10, maximum is 100.
- One-time rebate per residence per 10-year period.

Smart irrigation controller (\$100 rebate)

• Only <u>WaterSense certified smart irrigation controllers</u> are eligible for a Denver Water rebate. WaterSense products are backed by independent third-party tests and certification, and meet the Environmental Protection Agency's specifications for water efficiency and performance. With WaterSense's consumerfriendly labeling system, you can easily identify WaterSense-certified products that will perform well and are eligible for the rebate.

- Limit one per residence.
- During irrigation season, be aware that smart controllers must not operate between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. In rare conditions, the controllers may operate more than three days a week.

Customers should check details before purchasing. Visit www.denverwater.org/rebates for a list of eligible products.

Denver Water has gone digital!

Submit your rebate application quickly and easily online. Make sure to get an electronic copy of your receipt to make the process even easier.

Denver Water's rebate program is available as funding permits. It is subject to change, cancellation, or discontinuation at any time.

Do You Know What Your Home Owner's Insurance Covers?

Does your home owner's insurance protect you against sewer backups and water line breaks? Many homeowners' are not covered for these types of claims. Review your homeowner's insurance policy and consider adding some additional supplemental riders to your basic plan. Opting to purchase supplements will increase your premium a bit but consider the protection and peace of mind; they could actually save you money.

Tips to avoid possible sewer back up and damage to personal property may include:

- Flushing lines with a root solvent in spring when there is increased root growth. Products are available at hardware stores.
- Avoid planting trees near or over sewer lines.
- Never pour grease or fat down drains, use a designated receptacle and dispose in garbage.
- Keep valuables in plastic containers and elevated at least 12 inches off the floor.

If you should experience a backup call the District office and a field representative will respond to check and see if the mainline is blocked. If the mainline is flowing, the backup may be in the service line which is the responsibility of the property owner.