

# North Carter Lake

*water district*

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W A T E R D I S T R I C T N E W S

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## WEBSITE

Our website ([www.nclwd.org](http://www.nclwd.org))  
is now up-and-running.

Several parts of the website  
are still a work-in-progress,  
but there are several  
convenient items you might  
want to look at.

You can now pay your bill  
online via either Paypal or  
Credit Card. You cannot look  
up your account balance, but once you receive your bill,  
you can make a payment. We are currently working on  
the ability to establish an automatic transfer of funds  
between your bank account and ours - an ACH transfer.  
This should be operable in the next month or so.



You can also contact us via email for answers to your questions or to schedule locates. Additionally, you can download the forms to apply for a water tap, or to change the name on water service, and either email (.pdf) the form back to us or mail it.

## WATER RATES

No increase in water rates have been enacted since January 2006 nor are any anticipated in the near future.



## TAP FEE INCREASE

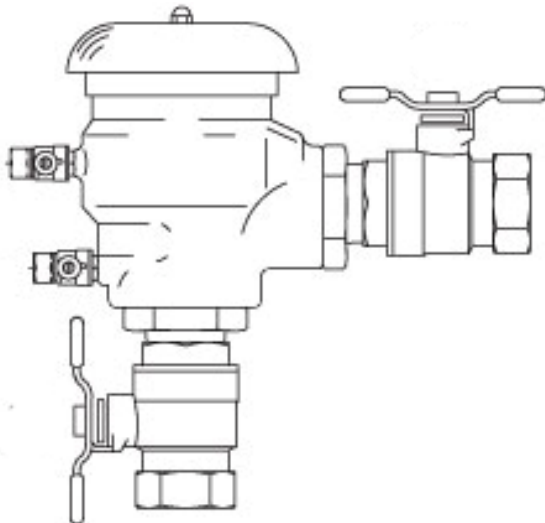
Effective January 1, 2010 the tap fees were raised due to an increase in the fee charged to us by Little Thompson. That increase is a flat \$1,500 per tap. The increase in tap fees will have no effect on current customers, but all water taps sold after January 1, 2010 will cost more.

	Old Tap Fee	New Tap Fee
In-district cash portion	\$6,000	\$7,500
Additional out-of-district cash portion	\$13,042	\$14,542
C-BT water requirement	1.5 Units	1.5 Units

## BACKFLOW PREVENTION AND CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL

The State of Colorado has mandated that water districts comply with Backflow Prevention and Cross-Connection Control laws passed some time ago by the State Legislature. Therefore, in order for our water district to be in compliance, all customers with lawn sprinkler systems must have an approved backflow prevention device installed on their system and have it tested annually by a certified tester.

After conducting a survey a couple of years ago, we found that most, if not all sprinkler systems were installed with these devices (commonly known as pressure vacuum



breakers). We also found that none of these devices have been tested regularly. Beginning this year, all devices **MUST** be tested annually with results of the tests furnished to the District.

As a service to our customers the District has arranged to have a certified tester available to conduct the tests for a flat fee of \$25, which can be added to your next water bill. Should a device need repairs, those repairs can be done at an extra cost. To schedule your device to be tested, contact Barry Dykes at [barry@nclwd.org](mailto:barry@nclwd.org) or 970-663-4632. Or you can contact a certified tester and have them

test your device and furnish the District with the results. The City of Loveland Water Department maintains a list of certified testers. There are also a few listed in the yellow pages. Most certified testers will charge \$45 to \$60 for the test. No one needs to be home when the test is conducted nor will anyone need access to your home. Water service to the sprinkler system will be interrupted for about 5 to 10 minutes.