
Water Supply Update



Nothing has changed with regard to our water supply for 2004. The Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District set the initial quota for 2004 at 50%. They also allowed those users who had not used all of their 2003 water to carry-over an amount equal to 30% of their owned shares. (A 70% quota is considered to be a "normal" year.)

Due to conservation efforts, we had the water in reserve to take full advantage of the allowable carry-over. Therefore, at this time, we have enough water to supply our customers with a "normal" years use. Additional quotas could be granted if the Conservancy District deems it appropriate later this year.

Automated Bill Payment

Remember that we offer a payment option wherein your payment is automatically deducted from your bank account and transferred to the District's account. In this situation the customer still receives a "bill" but it is marked "Draft Customer" and is provided for information only. If you are interested in this option, please contact our office.



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Water Rate Change

Effective January 1, 2004, the rates for water use in the North Carter Lake Water District were changed as follows:

	Old Rate	New Rate
Quarterly Minimum (includes 30,000 gallons)	\$60.00	\$75.00
All water used over 30,000 gallons in the quarter	\$2.00/ 1000 gallons	\$2.50/ 1000 gallons

This is the first increase in 6 years - the last increase in rates was effective on Jan 1, 1998. The increase is necessary to offset increased costs of operation.

Update On Lead Content Copper Situation

In November 2004, all of our customers were notified that our required lead monitoring samples had exceeded the EPA "Action Level". We were required at that time to notify our customers of the situation and to submit a plan to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDOH&E) to mitigate the lead levels found in the homes of our customers.



Our plan included a change in the point of service from our supplier - the Little Thompson Water District. They were mid-way through a project which would provide us with water which has been additionally treated to raise the pH level, thereby reducing the corrosivity of the water and in turn reducing the lead levels present in homes in the North Carter Lake Water District.

That project included about ½ mile of pipeline and an additional pump station along with some additional controls added to our main pump station. The project was substantially complete in early March, and the new pump station was placed into service. Samples of the improved

water have been taken and are in the process of being analyzed. When those results have been received, they will be forwarded to the CDOH&E as the final piece of our plan to mitigate the lead levels. The CDOH&E will then issue a determination as to the next steps we must take in order to satisfy their concerns.

In previous discussions with Health Department personnel, they indicated that following a short period to allow the "new" water to run through our system, additional sampling will be required. If the results of those tests are satisfactory (and we strongly believe they will be) no additional action will be necessary except to test for lead each year for a period of three years. If satisfactory results are obtained in each of those three years, we should be able to resume our tri-annual testing as usual.



We will keep you informed of our progress.