

# Main Lines @ MCBWSD



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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS &  
SEASON'S GREETINGS**  
From all of us to you

### District Policies

Just a reminder of a few policies:

1. The District does not accept postmarks for a valid due date. Please mail your payment in time to reach us by the 20th of each month. Meter reads take place soon after that date each month and all payments must be entered into the accounting system.
2. There are numerous reasons why your payment does not reach our mailbox by the 20th due date. One being our remote location. However, our staff cannot waive the penalty for late payments. Please be kind.
3. High water usage that results in a high bill also cannot be waived or reduced by our staff. A letter to the Board of Directors is necessary.

### AVOID FROZEN PIPES

- ◆ Maintain inside heat at a minimum of 55 degrees
- ◆ If the water meter/piping is in a crawl space or near the foundation, wrap and insulate the meter/piping
- ◆ Open cabinet doors to let the heat reach under sinks and near exterior walls
- ◆ Use heat tape where necessary
- ◆ Insulate hot water pipes
- ◆ Close or cover foundation vents
- ◆ Shut off outside water and drain the valve
- ◆ Know where your main water shut-off is located
- ◆ Notify the District of your property manager

According to District policy, service lines from the main water line to the house are the responsibility of the property owner. Service lines that are not buried deep enough are the main cause of broken or frozen lines. Inside plumbing and frozen water meters are also the responsibility of the owner.

Be prepared for winter. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

### 2016 RATE INCREASE

Public hearing notice for the 2016 rates and fees increase: January 12, 2016 @ 5:00 pm, District Main office building, 100 Gothic Road, Mt CB.

Any interested elector of the District may inspect the rate notice and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption. The proposed fee increase will be 4% for metered service and tap fees. Availability of Service will not increase.



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## HOW DO WE USE WATER?

Do you know the role water plays in your life and all the ways you use water? There are five main water uses. Look for the other uses in previous issues. Here is the fifth and last.

### RECREATION:

**THE NEWEST ECONOMY** - Reservoirs were originally created to prevent floods and ensure a year-round supply of drinking and irrigation water. The fun side benefit of these reservoirs are the recreational opportunities.

We enjoy water-skiing, jet skiing, sailing, canoeing and boating, along side fishing in both winter and summer. There are a few naturally occurring large lakes in Colorado, however, reservoirs such as Dillon, Blue Mesa, Wolford Mountain and Taylor Park exist by the creation of man.

Colorado has over 9,000 miles of streams and 2,000 lakes and reservoirs open to some of the best fishing in the country.

The Colorado River and its tributaries are recognized as some of the best kayaking and whitewater rafting destinations. We also enjoy downhill skiing and snowboarding thanks to snow making from our rivers and reservoirs.



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## 2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The District staff had a mixed bag of projects in 2015 to accomplish in a timely and productive manner, along with lots of routine maintenance that can only be done several warm months of the year. Below is a list of big and small projects completed.

- \* Replaced outdated analytical equipment and flow meters at the main water treatment plant
- \* Replaced a fire hydrant on Red Lady/Anthracite Road
- \* Painted fire hydrants with appropriate cap colors indicating pressure
- \* Prepared for upcoming stricter regulations from the CDPHE regarding disinfection and laboratory testing frequency
- \* Purchased a Pipehunter Jet Truck and jetted 33,355 Feet of sewer lines, many never cleaned before
- \* Purchased a Toolcat to assist servicing main lines
- \* Purchased a SL-RAT = Sewer Line Rapid Assessment Tool for pipe inspections to prevent blockages
- \* Installed a new Ultra Violet Disinfection System at the Wastewater Plant
- \* Partnered with the Town of CB to build a Vehicle Storage Building
- \* Completed a lengthy Water Conservation Plan that has been approved by the State of Colorado
- \* Partnered with Western State Colorado University to determine the feasibility of a Micro-Hydro system at the Meridian Lake Reservoir
- \* Maintained and flushed 250 fire hydrants
- \* Installed a new RAS (Return Activated Sludge) pump at the WW Treatment Plant
- \* Revised our website to be mobile compliant
- \* Purchased a Line Locator to find/mark underground pipes

## THE GREAT DEBATE - OVER OR UNDER

It's a great debate in most households - Over or Under for the Toilet Paper roll. Which way do you hang?

*Good Housekeeping* magazine suggests that you use less paper when it is draped over the top of the roll, simply because it is easier to see and you don't have to reach as far to grab the paper and the printed pattern appears on the over-the-top side. Plus every fancy hotel in the country does it that way to do the fancy fold, and they replace more toilet paper than anyone!

On the flip side with the paper hanging under, the paper hangs close to the wall and can pick up germs.

How do you hang your TP? And why?

### Proper Way To Hang Toilet Paper

