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Clifton Water District Announces Increases to Water Rates and Plant Investment Fees

Effective January 1, 2002, water rates for all Clifton Water District customers will increase. The rate increase is necessary to meet the increased operational costs associated with the treatment and delivery experienced by the District due to regulatory compliance with the Clean Water Act and higher utility costs. The new monthly minimum rate will be \$8.50 for 3,000 gallons, \$2.00 per thousand gallons used for 3,000 through 10,000 gallons, and \$2.15 per thousand gallons used above 10,000 for In-District customers. Out-of-District rates will continue to be calculated at 1.5 times the In-District rates.



Effective January 1, 2002, the Plant Investment Fee (Tap Fees) will increase to \$3,000 for a single 3/4" residential tap for In-District accounts. On July 1, 2002, the Out-of-District Plant Investment Fees for a 3/4" single residential tap will increase from 150% to 200% of the In-District rates. The Plant Investment Fees are used to pay for existing facilities as well as future capital improvements, system enhancements, water line replacement and upgrade projects. Keeping abreast of future planning and Plant Investment Fees insure adequate funds for future needs of the District and our customers.

Check by Phone and Credit Cards Now Accepted

The Clifton Water District now has an even more convenient way for paying your water bill. Over the past several years, we have had many, many requests from customers to pay their water bills with credit card or "Check By Phone" options. After the trial period was completed in November 2001, we now offer bill payment via Visa or Mastercard and "Check By Phone". All you have to do is pick up the phone and give us a call to make a payment to your account.


We continue to offer the Electronic Funds Transfer option where your payment comes directly out of your account automatically each month. We have four payment drop boxes, Coronado Plaza City Market, Safeway at 29 and F Roads, Clifton Albertson's and at our office located at 510 34 Road. We are trying to make paying your bills as easy as possible for you, the customer.



Water in Cyberspace

The Clifton Water District is now in Cyberspace! Our website is up and running. Some areas are still under development but others are complete and accessible. The site is being developed by District staff and Grand Valley Internet Inc. Check the website for District news, water quality reports, District Policies, press releases, construction project status, water facts and internet links, meeting dates, and electronic email contacts. The Clifton Water District Home Page can be reached at cliftonwaterdistrict.com, all one word. Bookmark this site on your computer for easy access.

PUBLIC MEETING

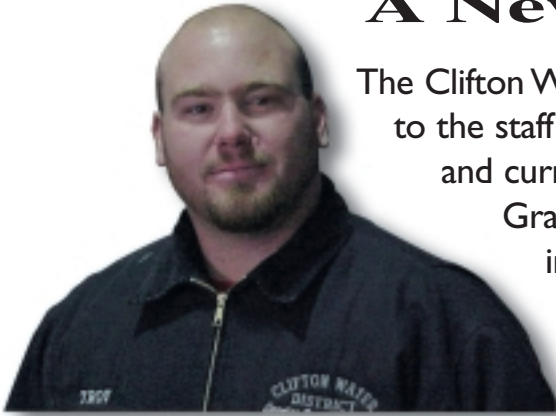


The Clifton Water District will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, January 9, 2002, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Clifton Community Center, located at 126 Second Street, Clifton, CO. The purpose of this Public Meeting will be to provide an opportunity for our customers and the general public to meet the District's Board of Directors and Staff. Additionally, information pertaining to the new Water Rates, Plant Investment Fees, District Policies, and the District's Water Quality Report will be presented. So mark your calendars, we hope to see you there.

Earning Your Confidence Every Day

The Clifton Water District has always taken seriously our mission to deliver safe water to all our customers. This mission has taken on an even higher seriousness since the events of September 11. District Staff has implemented several new procedures relating to District facility security. We are also rethinking emergency response plans and operational procedures. We are confident that the measures we have taken, as well as, our normal operational practice of continuous water quality monitoring through our production and delivery process affords you, our customer, with safe and reliable drinking water. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to all those affected by the terrorist attacks and our operations are responding in a manner that is reasoned and not reactive. Our entire staff is working to *Earn Your Confidence Every Day.*

A New Face at the District



The Clifton Water District is proud to announce the addition of Troy Sweet to the staff of the District. Troy is a Water Treatment Plant Operator and currently holds a "D" Operator's License. He is native of the Grand Junction area and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry from Western State College in Gunnison. He and his wife Kim, have one child. Some of Troy's outside interests include photography, hunting, and fishing. Troy is a welcome addition to your Water District staff.

WATER WISE...

This section in Waterline is meant for our customers to get responses to questions they may have regarding the operations of the Clifton Water District.



Question: What are the white floating particles in my drinks after the ice cubes melt?

Frost free freezers work on an evaporative process that eliminates the need to defrost the freezer on a regular basis. While this process keeps your freezer walls free of ice buildup, this process also evaporates water from the individual ice cubes leaving behind the dissolved minerals that were present in

the treated water. They are not harmful. There are two ways to correct the problem,

1. Change the ice on a regular basis to keep the cubes 'fresh', and,
2. Check the manufacturer's manual to see if the dehumidification process can be altered via the freezer controls to minimize the problem.

Question: Who paints those different spray paint colors on the ground and why?

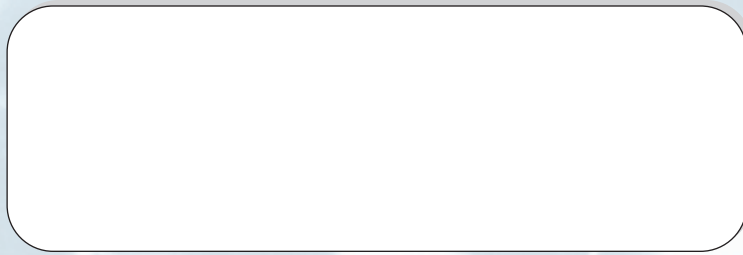
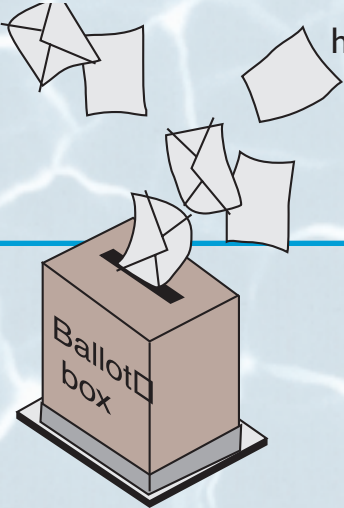
The various utility providers have been 'assigned' specific colors for their specific buried lines to provide uniformity across the State regarding line locating activities. The accepted color coding is as follows:

Blue	Potable Water Lines	Green	Sanitary Sewer Lines
Orange	Telephone/Communication Lines	Purple	Irrigation Lines
Red	Electric Lines	Yellow	Gas Lines
White	Locate Boundaries		

So next time you see all those different colors painted on the ground, rest assured, there is rhyme and reason to the colors and lines and a construction project is coming. Check our website at cliftonwaterdistrict.com for information on construction projects.

2002 ELECTIONS

Tuesday, May 7, 2002, is election day for Colorado Special Districts. Make sure you are registered to vote so that you may participate in this election. The District's polling place will be at the Clifton Fire Station, located at 3254 F Road. Polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The District will have three Board positions up for election. If you have any interest in pursuing a position on the Board, please contact us.



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