

Sage Water Users Association Newsletter

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CCR REPORT

Attached you will find the Consumer Confidence Report or the annual drinking water quality report for SWUA. Because our water is supplied by Mid-Colorado Investments, we have collaborated in the preparation and delivery of this report. Federal Law mandates the language contained in the report, as well as the preparation and delivery to every user of the water system. This report contains information about everything that is found in the tap water, showing the levels of all substances and what the government allows. In addition to meeting Federal guidelines, we want to present this report to you to show that our water is below government specified levels and to explain any violations; our water system is safe.

Current Water Rates Increasing

New rates go into effect July 1, 2020. The rates are determined by our water provider Mid Colorado Investment Company, Inc.

Current Rates -

Customer Charge: **\$11.23 to \$11.98** per month

Water Charge: **\$4.44 to \$4.71** per hundred cubic feet

Maintenance Fee: **\$20.00 – No Change**

Board Meetings

Board meetings are currently held on the 3rd Tuesday of odd months (Jan, Mar, May . . .). The meeting starts at 7:00 pm at the Sagecreek Community Church, 6160 Murr Road. All homeowners are welcome.

Water Conservation

Colorado summer on the Front Range means hot weather and high water usage. Our water system is designed to provide a maximum of 300 gallons per minute. When this limit is exceeded, some homes will see a drop in pressure, or have no water at all.

You are allowed to water the following total area:

Sage Creek North – 2,000 sq. ft.

Sage Creek South – 2,000 sq. ft.

Blue Sage – 1,600 sq. ft.

We are fortunate to have a water supply that is not affected by drought, but everyone should conserve to ensure constant pressure and save on their water bill.

Billing Paying Option

No more mailing checks to pay your water bill! **PayClix** is here. Pay your bill on line by ACH or credit card. Go Green and sign up for email billing. Check our website www.sagewater.org for more info. We have links to the registration site and a link for those registered to go ahead and pay their bills

To set up an account have your current water bill handy. You will need the current amount due. Don't confuse it with the Due if paid after the 25th. For assistance you can contact PayClix at 1-866-729-2549 toll free. Or email to websupport@payclix.com

Locates - Call Before You Dig! 1-800-922-1987

T-Posts

T-Posts are placed to locate valve holes on your property. We would like to remind you that these posts are not to be removed. A \$25 fee will be assessed on your bill for each post removed.

Valves & Meters

The only personnel authorized to access valves and meters connected to the SWUA water system are those individuals employed by the current water maintenance contractor or designated by the SWUA board. Any damage done by unauthorized personnel will be billed to the current account holder. Please call to arrange shut off or turn on.

Fencing

You must provide open access to all utility meters, including your water meter. Meters that cannot be accessed may incur additional fees or removal of any obstructions at the owner/renter's expense. You may also be held liable for any injuries that happen to meter readers due to fences, animals, or other obstructions that interfere with meter access.

WEEDS - Summer is here and we would like to remind you to weed around your meter and valve pit. Weeding is your responsibility. Weeds should be kept below 5 inches to ensure proper meter readings, and the safety of our water maintenance personnel. If weeds are over 5 inches, you will be charged \$10.00 for SWUA to trim your weeds.

VIOLATIONS

Water supply to Sage: Mid-Colorado Investment (El Paso), PWSID CO0121465

Mid-Colorado had violations for “Failure to Monitor And/Or Report” analytical data for “Volatile Organics,” “Synthetic Organics,” “Inorganics Group,” and “Nitrate.” According to the State Health Department, “These violations do not usually mean that there was a problem with the water quality.”

Due to a perfect storm of health issues, family crises, and a foul-up by the analytical laboratory, these analyses were not performed by the 12/31/2019 deadline. Since then, family obligations, a serious automobile accident, and major spine surgery have prevented me from getting the samples. They will be obtained and analyzed as soon as my physical condition allows. The water supply (a roughly 2 to 1 blend of water from the Laramie-Fox Hills and Arapahoe aquifers) and treatment process (chlorination) have not changed in the last 20 years. As a result, little if any change is expected in what is in the water. The Volatile and Synthetic Organics have always all been below the detection limits, and Nitrate has also been very low, again often below detection limits; barium, one of the Inorganics Group analytics, was very low in the December 2014 sample, far below the limit. There should not be any significant changes now.

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President, Mid-Colorado Investment Co., Inc.

Sage Water Users Association, PWSID CO0121745

Sage Water Users Association had two violations. First, Lead & Copper Rule: Failure to inform homeowners of lead results. The results of the analyses, as shown in the body of the Consumer Confidence Report, were within allowed limits; in fact, all samples were below the lab’s limit of detection. All information on homeowners’ notification was recorded in to the state portal. However, we failed to push “submit” so the state was not aware of this.

Second, Disinfection Byproducts. Analyses were done as required, and the results are in the body of the Consumer Confidence Report. However, the contracted lab we use did not send the requested state form to the state before the due date. The test results, submitted late, did not show any violations.

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