



The Water Connection

Radio Read Meters

The District was able to install a lot more radio-read meters recently. These meters allow a much faster reading time with fewer mistakes. They also allow us to read your meter during the winter months. Meters read each month throughout the winter do not need an adjustment in the spring.

Another great feature of radio-read meters is they send out alerts during meter reading that tell us of possible leaks. We pass these alarms onto our customers in the form of letters. This has saved so many people by getting the leak information to them before they knew they had a leak, and before the leak did major damage to their property.

The District's goal is to one day have radio-read meters servicing each of our customers.

Last Read of the Calendar Year

The billing that is coming with this newsletter is probably the last manual read of the year. If you do not have a radio-read meter, we will begin estimating your read with the November billing. You will see the same consumption amount for each month through the winter. We will read your meter again as soon as possible in the spring. Your account will be adjusted after the spring read to reflect your correct consumption and the correct amount owed.

Getting Ready for Cold Weather

A couple of tips to remember to keep your pipes/meter from freezing.

- * Unhook your hoses from your outside water spigots.
- * Insulate exposed water pipes. Be sure to use water-proof insulation for any pipes that are out in the weather.
- * Do not use house insulation to insulate your water meter. This insulation will get wet and cause the meter to freeze. If your meter has frozen in the past, call us and we will insulate the meter correctly.
- * When the snow does come, do not uncover your water meter. The snow is a great insulator.



Leak on Broken Tee Road

Just before midnight on Wednesday, July 7th, our crew was called out to repair a leak on Broken Tee Road in Rathdrum. It was repaired in time for the crew to begin their 7 a.m. regular day at the District. That's one long day. Above from left to right: Jesse Camburn, Nate Ferguson, and Robert Bush. Also assisting during the night was Brad White. Thanks guys!

Good Luck Jesse!

We are sad to see electrician, Jesse Nichols, leaving. He has been an employee of the District for over five years. He and his new bride are moving to Iowa and we wish them the best.

New employee Dave Duthie has joined the District to fill the electrician position vacated by Jesse Nichols. Welcome Dave! We look forward to working with you.

Call Before You Dig

Call 811 at least 48 hours before you dig for any reason at any depth. Locates are free. Repairs are not.



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.



Plant trees and shrubs in the Fall when temperatures are cooler and rainfall is more plentiful.