

Pinewood Springs – January 2024 Newsletter

Water District – pinewoodspringswater.org

Happy New Year everyone!

In December we received notice from the health department that we barely exceeded allowable levels of disinfection byproducts. Because of this, we are required by the CDPHE to send our customers a letter. These contaminants are the byproducts of the disinfection process and occur occasionally in every water system with larger storage tank capacities. Our potable water supply comes from the Little Thompson River. Historically, pre 2013 flood, the river stopped flowing every year in about July. The district installed more storage tanks to provide the community with an adequate potable water supply during these times of drought. Before the added tank storage and the building of the raw water reservoir, the district had to haul in water when the river stopped flowing. This was a very costly, time consuming, and inconvenient process. Thankfully, we no longer must haul water, however, we face challenges with long term stored treated water. We are in the process of correcting the cause of these byproducts.

Our next meeting is **January 24th at 7:00 pm**. To be included on the next agenda or to receive a Zoom invite, please call, 303-823-5345, or email pswdadmin@att.net

Pinewood Spring Fire Station & Community Center – pinewoodspringsfire.org

Best wishes for a Happy New Year from your Pinewood Springs volunteer Firefighters and Board. Our 2024 CWPP PSFPD Firefighter calendars went quickly - thank you all for your continued support! If you would like a digital copy of the calendar, please visit <https://www.pinewoodspringsfire.org/news> to download your copy.

The next Fire Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 10 at 7pm**. Contact Chief Ted Plank for zoom link information chief@pinewoodspringsfire.org.

The Road District - pinewoodspringsPOA.com

The next **Road Board** meeting will be **February 6, 2024**. This is a community all-resident meeting when we will present our budget and ask for input of any kind. All Pinewood Springs residents are cordially invited to attend. The meeting will be held at 7:00 pm at the Fire Station meeting room.

Any road concerns should be sent to Joan Paskewitz (joan.paskewitz@gmail.com), chair and acting road supervisor.

We are seeking one additional member of the Board. Please apply at the above email address.

Pinewood Springs Property Owners Association – pinewoodspringspoa.co

Start the new year out by volunteering as a Board member for the Property Owners Association. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of the month via Zoom. Meetings usually last an hour. Our prime concern is care and maintenance of the two Pinewood Springs properties, the Tubs Park and Crescent Lake. We also provide a forum for the residents to discuss problems that occur in the community and provide information concerning Pinewood Springs covenants and Larimer County Land Use Codes.

Next meeting is **Wednesday, January 17th 7:00 pm via Zoom**.

Pinewood Springs Community Church

Happy New Year! January will have Joanne in the pulpit on the 7th and Jessica the rest of the month.

Starting the 7th, we'll be having worship in Fellowship Hall. We look forward to seeing you at 10am for worship! Please join us for our potluck on the 21st. Everyone is welcome.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Pinewood Springs Water District

Exceeded the Levels of Allowable Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) and Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (Disinfection Byproducts)

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this situation is not an emergency, as our customers you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On 11/20/23 we were notified that our system exceeds the maximum contaminant level or MCL for Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) by .023 mg/L. (Milligrams per Liter. A liter contains 1,000,000 mg.) The MCL is .080 mg/L. The average level over the last year was .103 mg/L.

On 11/20/23 we were notified that our system exceeds the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) A violation of .00955 mg/L. The MCL is .060 mg/L. The average level over the last year was .06955 mg/L.

These contaminants are the byproducts of the disinfection process and occur occasionally in every water system with larger storage tank capacities.

What does this mean? What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.**
- Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
- If you have an infant, severely compromised immune system, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your doctor about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by bacteria and other disease-causing organisms are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

What is being done?

- **Operations and standard procedures have been altered to limit storage time and water age in the system. Grant applications are in progress to fund replacement of faulty infrastructure, and tank upgrades, Mixers to move water and prevent aging water in storage tanks.**

We anticipate resolving the problem by **1/30/24** . For more information, please contact **Gabriele Benson** at **pswdadmin@att.net** or **303-823-5345** , or **183 Cree Ct. Lyons Co. 80540** .

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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