Pinewood Springs – July 2022 – Newsletter Water District – pwswd.com

The Water District received its regular, State Sanitary Survey, inspection recently. During the inspection the district was found to be lacking in records for our backflow prevention inspections. Therefore, you are receiving this notice letter for a *record keeping* violation.

Please Note: The District has not had a back flow contamination occur. There are health advisories included with the letter for actual contamination events and when you should boil water. The district is monitoring for any form of contamination and no signs are present. All back flow prevention devices are functioning properly.

The district has two commercial locations and one industrial site. Cherry Co and Villa Tatra are commercial sites, and the water filtration plant is an industrial site. The Three sites all need to have back flow prevention and annual inspections performed. With the limited amount of contamination risk from these sites past inspectors and district employees may not have been informed of changes in regulations. While we have not experienced a contamination event, the district is inspecting all locations and devices with third party verification.

Board meetings are held via Zoom. To be included on the next agenda or to receive a Zoom invite for our **Wednesday**, **July 27th 7:00 pm** meeting, please call 303.823.5345 or email Gabi Benson at pswdadmin@att.net. **Report water emergencies anytime to 303.823.5345**.

Pinewood Spring Fire Station & Community Center

IMPORTANT! Fire Restrictions for unincorporated Larimer County went into effect at noon June 29, 2022. Visit www.pinewoodspringsfire.org for more information.

Check out this month's HOT TOPICS NEWSLETTER for news and information about the Pinewood Springs Fire Protection District and your volunteer firefighters on our informative website at https://pinewoodspringsfire.org/hottopics/

The next Fire Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **July 13 at 7pm** at the Pinewood Springs Fire Station. Contact Chief Plank, chief@pinewoodspringsfire.org. for the Zoom link info before 12 noon on July 13th.

The Road District - pinewoodspringspoa.com

The next Road Board meeting will be **July 12th** online due to Covid-19 and travel of Board members. If you would like to attend, please call John Lorang, 303-823-5114 or Pat Dewey, 303-823-5024 for log-on information. If you have road concerns, call Pat Dewey.

Pinewood Springs Community Church

Pinewood Springs Community Church will welcome Bruce Brackman, Joanne Dobie, and Jessica Lesko into the pulpit this month. We look forward to worshipping with our friends and neighbors at 10am with coffee and conversation following in Fellowship Hall.

Also of note, Mariah Knotts is teaching yoga classes Monday evenings and Saturday mornings at Fellowship Hall. Please watch the Pinewood Springs Facebook page for more information or drop me an email and I'll forward it on.

Pinewood Springs Property Owners Association-

Mark your calendar: **Pet Loss presentation** at 7 pm on **July 21** at the Tubs Park. Losing a beloved pet can be tough. Dr. Jessica Pierce, author of *The Last Walk: Reflections on Our Pets at the Ends of Their Lives*, like many of us, has been through it and understands how painful and confusing it can be. She will discuss some of the practical, medical, and moral issues that trouble pet owners confronted with the decline and death of their companion animals. Audience participation and questions are welcome.

A big thank you to the volunteers that helped at the Tubs Park on Clean Up Day. Also, the Little Library doors have been repaired. Thank you, Michael and Cindy Mor. Kerry Grimes procured a new name plate, plus We have 4 volunteer Librarians. Thank you, all!

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Pinewood Springs Water District Failure to Test Backflow Prevention Devices

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.

The state drinking water program requires that all public drinking water systems test a percentage of the backflow prevention devices annually. We received a violation because our water system did not test the required percentage.

NOTE: This advisory is NOT related to COVID-19. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has stated that the "Virus that causes COVID-19 has not been detected in drinking water." For additional information on COVID-19 and drinking water, you can refer to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's website: https://covid19.colorado.gov.

What does this mean? What should I do?

- You may want to use an alternative drinking water supply (e.g. bottled). If you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- Uncontrolled cross connections can lead to a back pressure or siphonage event that may allow contaminants or disease-causing organisms to enter the drinking water, which can cause diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches.
- o 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?

- Test & certify backflow prevention devices. Submit annual BPCCC Program Report.
- Survey and Evaluation of all district cross connections.
- Performing Monthly sampling for Bacterial testing through 3rd party laboratories.

We anticipate resolving the problem by October 1, 2022. For more information, please contact Gabi Benson at pswdadmin@att.net or 303-823-5345, or 183 Cree Ct. Lyons CO. 80540.

This notice is being sent to you by: Pinewood Springs Water District - CO0135610 Date distributed: July 5, 2022

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