



Date: Thursday, April 23, 2026
To: FAWWA Customers
Re: Water Restrictions

Dear Residents,

We would like to inform you that water restrictions are in effect for all residents within the FAWWA Falcon Area Water and Wastewater Authority service area. Please adhere to the following guidelines to help conserve water and ensure the sustainability of our communities.

Background Information on Being Smart About Water Usage:

One of the biggest challenges in maintaining a green lawn in Colorado is the dryness, especially along the Front Range where we often experience weeks with little rain. Your lawn doesn't need an excessive amount of water—about an inch per week, ideally in the morning. Here are some essential water-wise rules to follow:

- **No Watering on Monday:** In order to allow the water tanks to fill and give the system a 24-hour reprieve, residential watering is not allowed on Mondays.
- **Watering Schedule:** You may water up to three (3) days per week. You choose the days.
- **Watering Days:** Even addresses on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday; Odd addresses on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.
- **Optimal Watering Times:** From May 1 to October 15, water before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m. to reduce evaporation.
- **Prevent Water Waste:** Do not let water pool on hard surfaces or flow down gutters.
- **Repair Leaks Promptly:** Repair any leaking sprinkler systems within 10 days.
- **Use Shut-Off Nozzles:** When washing anything with a hose, always use a shut-off nozzle.

Following these guidelines helps us use water responsibly and efficiently, benefiting our community, neighbors, and rivers.

Developer's Water Conservation Efforts:

The developer of the Sterling Ridge, Sterling Ranch, Timber Ridge and Prairie Ridge communities is committed to sustainable living and has implemented several measures to conserve water. These include:

- Using drought-tolerant landscaping where appropriate in public spaces.
- Promoting the use of native plants that require less water.
- Evaluating and adjusting watering schedules in common areas and spaces.
- Sharing educational programs and information about water conservation tips for residents.

Watering Variance Permits for New Landscaping

If you have newly installed landscaping, you can request a watering variance permit to allow for additional watering during the initial grow season. To request a permit, please email FAWWA at info@fawwa.net with the details of your request. A Watering Variance Permit helps ensure that new plants and lawns establish strong root systems. During the initial grow season, it is crucial to manage watering carefully:



- Water new sod and plants daily for the first two weeks.
- Gradually reduce the frequency of watering but increase the duration to promote deep root growth.
- Follow the general water-wise rules as much as possible to minimize water waste.

Important Notice About Water Rates:

To further encourage water conservation and ensure the sustainability of our water resources, FAWWA is closely monitoring adherence to the summer watering policy. While we strive to avoid increasing water rates, excessive water usage may result in higher costs for those who exceed the recommended guidelines.

Starting this year, tiered water rates for higher usage levels (Tiers 2 and 3) will be adjusted to promote responsible water use. Most households fall within Tier 1 or the lower end of Tier 2, but excessive watering could push usage into higher tiers, resulting in increased charges.

We encourage all residents to follow the outlined water restrictions and conserve water wherever possible. By working together, we can avoid unnecessary rate increases and ensure a sustainable water supply for our community.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to conserving water.

Sincerely,
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