

Cougar Ridge Water System Update For Spring 2019



Just as the Delphi road improvement was getting underway, the Cougar Ridge Homeowners' Association had hired a construction crew to begin replacing the water distribution valves along Capitol Forest Drive. It was very noisy in our normally quiet neighborhood, but oh what an improvement we'll benefit from in the future.

Eventually, when all of the distribution valves are replaced, if shut-offs are necessary only the problem area will be involved, not the entire development.

Water System Distribution Valves Replaced

Our water system continues to serve us well as we continue to replace aged system components. Contractors replaced seven major water system distribution valves this spring in the continuing effort to renew/upgrade our water system. Piping was inspected during the valve replacement and found to be in excellent condition. Our intent is to replace most of the remaining valves over the next three to four years. This activity, along with previous work to replace the deep well pumps and pump house electrical, will significantly extend the life of our water system.

Water Conservation Strongly Encouraged

Water consumption remains seasonally normal. Our average monthly usage for the first quarter of 2019 has been about 4500 gallons per household, which is typical for non-irrigating months. However, we encourage everyone to be mindful of water conservation. Our permit does have a finite limit, which could be challenged without conservation.

Observe Outdoor Watering Schedule for Spring & Summer

Outdoor Watering Schedule In Effect

In an effort to conserve water, reduce peak demand, and minimize the likelihood of an event like we've experienced in the past, we will maintain the same outdoor watering schedule implemented last year:



✓ Customers whose addresses ending with an **odd number** can water and irrigate outdoors on **Monday, Wednesday & Friday.**

✓ Customers whose addresses ending with an **even number** can water and irrigate outdoors on **Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday.**

✓ The same exceptions remain in place for watering outside the schedule if you have:

- * outdoor potted plants and hanging baskets.
- * vegetable gardens and plants growing inside of greenhouses.
- * new sod or seed lawns.
- * planted new landscape areas (trees and shrubs).

Best Times to Water

Homeowners are encouraged to water in the **evening, during the night, or in the early morning hours.**

Board Assistance Available

Any homeowner needing assistance resetting sprinkler timers is encouraged to contact a board member for assistance. (See page 3 for contact information.)



Once the holes were dug in the street, it was possible to see where the valves were located that were going to be replaced.



*Measuring the precise length of the water pipe was important in order to get a correct fit. **Pete Valinske**, the Cougar Ridge Water Committee Chair, assists the crew and was present for the valve replacement installation.*