

Hello,

Currently THMD still has contractors starting the pump house each morning at roughly 6:55 am Tuesday through Sunday, and turning off the pumps at 11:05 am, **so residents can water per the non-potable watering AM schedule.** Currently, there is no non-potable watering for the PM schedule, due to the extreme drought that Colorado is currently experiencing.

The board and management made the decision not to water the district tracts due to the current drought situation. This way the majority of the non-potable water can go to the homeowner's yards.

Please keep in mind if you see District tract irrigation on, the District is testing the lines or flushing the lines. We turn on tracts or the parks irrigation since they have large impact heads, and we can check gallons per minute or flush and clean the main lines. Even though the District is not watering tracts, we still need to flush the pump house and end of the main lines in the non-potable system.

If you see something you are unsure of or why that is happening, feel free to ask us at the District. We will answer your questions.

On other note, surface irrigation of your yard was put in for sod/turf. Please keep in mind you still need to deep root water your trees year round and it wouldn't hurt to water your shrubs by hand.

Franklin Lake Storage Facility:

As you can see, the Franklin Lake storage facility is extremely low due to lack of rain and run off that happens up-stream, along with sun evaporation and seepage. THMD management is working with the local ditch companies and a water consultant to get water delivered to our storage pond.

THMD is in the progress of renting 32 units of water to be delivered to the Franklin Lake storage facility. 32 units/shares at 90%; meaning we only get 90% of that unit. Most shareholders will rent water shares if they are not using them; the Eaton Ditch Company calculates the water as units. Renting water is when someone owns these units/shares, and they are not using them for 2026 water deliveries. So, these water shares go to the open market for others to rent. You can only rent water if there is a way to get the water to your storage area; meaning ditches have to connect to your storage area.

Getting the water delivered takes a lot of coordination and there are a lot of variables such as ordering water with other entities ex; farmers, Towns, Cities, or other Metro Districts.

We need to order the water when the ditch is wet (already had water delivered through it recently), to avoid loss of water from seepage. Then we have to make sure the water can make it to the head gates along the delivery route. The head gate is a concrete section that has a sealed gate that can open and close controlling when water passes through to our storage pond when we have rented/leased or ordered water.

All of this is to give residents an idea of many factors there are with ordering water for a non-potable water system. **It's not just turning on/off a valve.** After THMD has received the 32 units of water, THMD will start to water the District's tracts at least twice a week, to start bringing back the grass areas for a better looking community as a whole. The residential watering times will remain at the 7-11 A.M. timeframe until further notice.

As stated in a recent notice, the monthly non-potable water system fee is a flat monthly rate during the operating season. Invoices are sent to homeowners on a quarterly basis. These fee are designed to cover the overall cost of operating, maintaining, and sustaining the non-potable water system while delivering water to each homeowner's point of connection (POC).

Again, thanks for your patience during this historic drought we are all in.