
STRATMOOR NEWS

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Where Your Water Comes From

We receive approximately 650 acre feet (195,510,600 gallons) of water from the Fountain Valley Authority's (FVA) Water Treatment Plant annually.

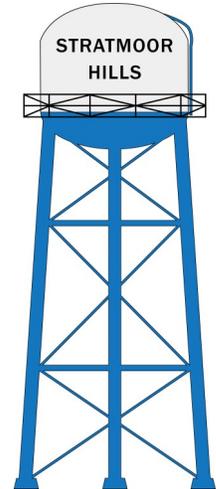
This water is brought over from the Western Slope through a series of tunnels and aqueducts to the Arkansas River drainage and delivered to the Pueblo Reservoir where the FVA pumps it to its treatment plant at the Ray Nixon Power Plant which is located just south of The City of Fountain.

The Water District also has 2 wells, which have the capability of pumping over 1,000 gallons per minute each, which are used to supplement the FVA water during high demand periods. The District owns and operates 3 storage tanks including the water tower located in Stratmoor Hills which was erected in 1957.

Our water quality meets all of the Colorado Health Department and EPA Drinking Water Regulations. We take bacteriological samples at more than 7 sites throughout the District each month and we do chlorine analysis daily to ensure the proper disinfection of the drinking water.



The Stratmoor Hills Water District Field Crew are always working hard to make sure the District provides safe reliable drinking water. We are dedicated to making sure water continuously flows to your tap. We try our best to respond to main breaks, leaks, and customer requests as quickly as possible. We will continue installing new meters throughout the summer, along with, flushing hydrants as necessary. Along with managing the Water Districts daily operations, the Field Crew also handles the Sanitation Districts day-to-day operations. They make sure our collections systems are in proper working order.



See us on the website at:
stratmoorhillswater.org

**STORM WATER RUNOFF
ENDS UP IN OUR STREAMS
AND RIVERS**



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**

Household Water Leaks

Leaks can waste water, damage your home, and encourage organic growth. Unfortunately, because you cannot see most of the pipework in your home, you may not always know that a leak has formed. One of the best ways to protect your home from future leaks is to understand and look for common situations that cause leaks to develop...

- Broken Seals
- Clogged Line
- Corrosion
- Damaged Pipe Joints
- Excess Pressure
- Tree Roots
- Loose Connections
- Rapid Temperature Changes

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - July 7 2021
Payments Due - July 16, 2021
Late Notices Mailed - July 19, 2021
Shut Off Payments Due - July 27, 2021
Shut Off Day - July 28, 2021
Meter Read Date - July 30, 2021

If you believe you may be late making your payment, please call us to make arrangements to avoid the \$30.00 delinquent fee.

STRATMOOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION - <http://www.stratmoorhills.org/contact.php>

SEWER PROBLEMS

If you have problems with your sewer line, please give us a call first so that we can determine if it is your service line or our main line. If it is in your line, we will notify you promptly. If it is our problem, we will take care of it immediately.



Do you have a person in your life who may be a hoarder? Hoarding is a condition where a person has persistent difficulty discarding personal possessions. The large amount of possessions fill the home and prevent the normal use of the space. Living space becomes cluttered. It may be unusable. Hoarding brings distress and emotional health concerns.

WHY HOARDING INCREASES FIRE RISKS

- Cooking is unsafe if flammable items are close to the stove or oven.
- Heating units may be too close to things that can burn. They might also be placed on unstable surfaces. If a heater tips over into a pile, it can cause a fire.
- Electrical wiring may be old or worn from the weight of piles. Pests could chew on wires. Damaged wires can start fires.
- Open flames from smoking materials or candles in a home with excess clutter are very dangerous.
- Blocked pathways and exits may hinder escape from a fire.

HOW HOARDING IMPACTS FIRST RESPONDERS

- Hoarding puts first responders in harm's way.
- Firefighters cannot move swiftly through a home filled with clutter.
- Responders can be trapped in a home when exits are blocked. They can be injured by objects falling from piles.
- The weight of the stored items, especially if water is added to put out a fire, can lead to building collapse.
- Fighting fires is very risky in a hoarding home. It is hard to enter the home to provide medical care. The clutter impedes the search and rescue of people and pets.

How Can You Help Reduce the Risk of Fire Injury

- ✓ When talking a person who hoards, focus on safety rather than the clutter. Be empathetic. Match the person's language. If they call it hoarding, then you can call it hoarding.
- ✓ Help the residents make a home safety and escape plan. Stress the importance of clear pathways and exits. Practice the plan often. Exit routes may change as new items are brought into the home.
- ✓ Install working smoke alarms in the home. Test them at least once a month.
- ✓ Reach out to community resources. Talk to members of the fire department to alert them of your concerns. They may be able to connect you with members of a hoarding task force for additional help.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269

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Board elections are held in May of even-numbered years. Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Fire Station (2160 "B" Street). Meeting agendas are posted at the Water District office (1811 "B" Street), the Fire Station and at the Stratmoor Elementary School (200 Loomis Avenue). If you would like more information about the Districts, please contact Kevin Niles at the Water and Sanitation Districts at 576-0311 or by e-mail at kevin@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com