



Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association

**Annual Membership Meeting
JANUARY 29, 2020**



APPROVAL OF AGENDA



**INTRODUCTIONS,
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS &
PROCEDURES**

Procedures

If you wish to ask a question or make a comment please follow the guidelines below.

1. Use a microphone
2. State your first and last name
3. Then make your statement or ask your question



SERVICE AWARDS

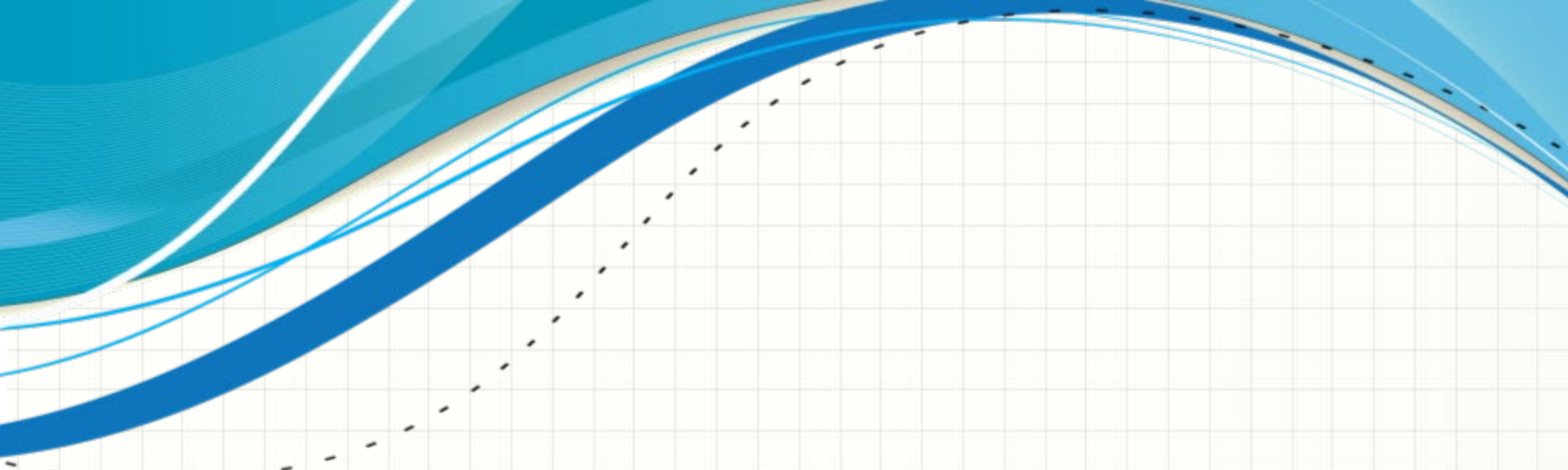
Lawrence Lujan, 1 Year

Clarissa De Leon, 1 Year

Cody De La O, 1 Year

Paul De La O, 1 Year

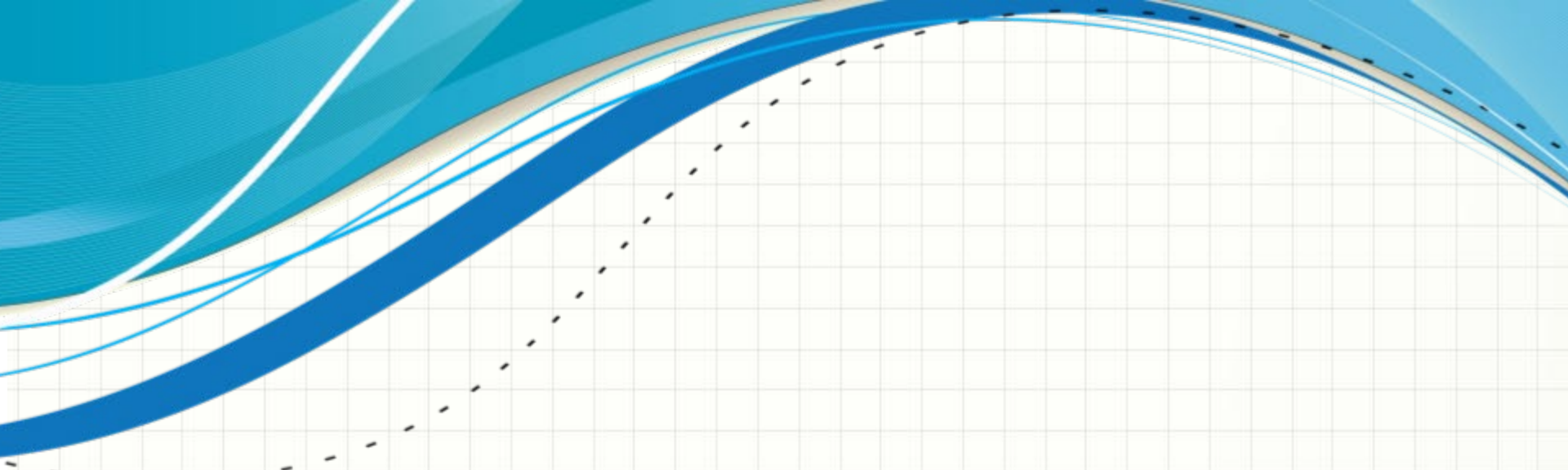
Brian Pacheco, 1 Year



APPROVAL OF MINUTES
JANUARY 30, 2019



NEW BUSINESS



APPROVAL OF OPEN MEETINGS ACT
RESOLUTION 2020 – 01



REPORTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS



JIM MELTON, PRESIDENT
DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE

Updates

- Inaccurate Phone Numbers in the Phone Books
- New Business Hours
- Increased Operator Certification
 - 8 new certifications
- New Pay by Phone Option
 - Starting March 1st

Completed Construction Projects

- Via Norte Water Improvement
 - Installation of new 8" main line, isolation valves, fire hydrants, and pressure reducing valves.
- Southeast Collection Phase 2
 - Installation of 8" and 10" vacuum sewer lines, division valves, and vacuum pits.

Via Norte Water Line



Southeast Collection Phase 2



Construction in Progress

- District 5 Wastewater Plant Rehabilitation and Expansion
- Radium Springs Water System Rehabilitation
- Southeast Collection Phase 3

District 5 Wastewater Treatment Plant

Funding By NM Environment Department Rural Infrastructure Fund

The rehabilitation and expansion project will help to ensure that the District 5 Wastewater Plant remains in compliance with permit conditions and continues to provide Class 1A water. Class 1A water allows for irrigation of the Picacho Hills Country Golf Course. The upgrades include, new clarifiers, stainless steel disk filter, improved air system and blowers, new screw press for better solids handling, improvements to existing structures, and an emergency pond for treated effluent.



Design Engineer: Souder, Miller & Associates

Contractor: Morrow Enterprise, Inc

Contract Amount: \$4,570,000

Expected Completion Date: August 18, 2020

Radium Springs Water Line Replacement Project

Funded By USDA Rural Development Colonias Program

The Radium Springs Water Line Replacement project will help to produce more reliable water supply and fire protection for the area. The project consists of 48,000 linear feet of pipe, 77 system valves, 3 pressure reducing valve, new booster station, 2 newly drilled wells, and 53 new fire hydrants. This project allows the Association to isolate areas when repairs or maintenance is need which reducing the number of homes that will be impacted by the work.



Design Engineer: Souder, Miller & Associates

Contractor: File Construction

Contract Amount: \$3,700,000

Expected Completion Date: April 15, 2020

Southeast Collection Phase 3

Funded By NM Colonias Infrastructure Program

The Southeast Collection Project Phase 3 is the next phase of collection lines which is part of our overall new sewer system. Once the completed project is finished it will allow for 1,100 homes the option of connecting to the sewer system. This phase of the project consist of roughly 3,000 linear feet of sewer pipe, various valves, and 12 vacuum valve pits. This project provides homeowners the option to be connected to the sewer system. The final phase of the project has money allocated which will provide a funding allocation to homeowners to cover their connection fees and septic tank decommissioning. The allocation for the homeowners portion will be on a first come basis. Watch more information in upcoming newsletters.



Design Engineer: Souder, Miller & Associates

Contractor: Morrow Enterprises, Inc.

Contract Amount: \$734,216.89

Expected Completion Date: March 11, 2020

Projects Currently In Design

(Currently Funded)

- Dona Ana Village Liftstation and Forcemain
- Southeast Collection Final Phase
- Rehabilitation of 4 Water Storage Tanks in Dona Ana
- Covered Storage and Additional Customer Parking at Main Office

Current Funding Application

(Not Currently Funded Projects)

- Dona Ana Village Liftstation & Forcemain (Construction)
- West Mesa Water System Improvement (Planning & Design)
- Picacho Hills Arroyo Sewer Protection Project (Planning)
- Valley Drive Sewer Project (Planning)



DR. KURT ANDERSON
SECRETARY/TREASURER
DISTRICT 2 REPRESENTATIVE

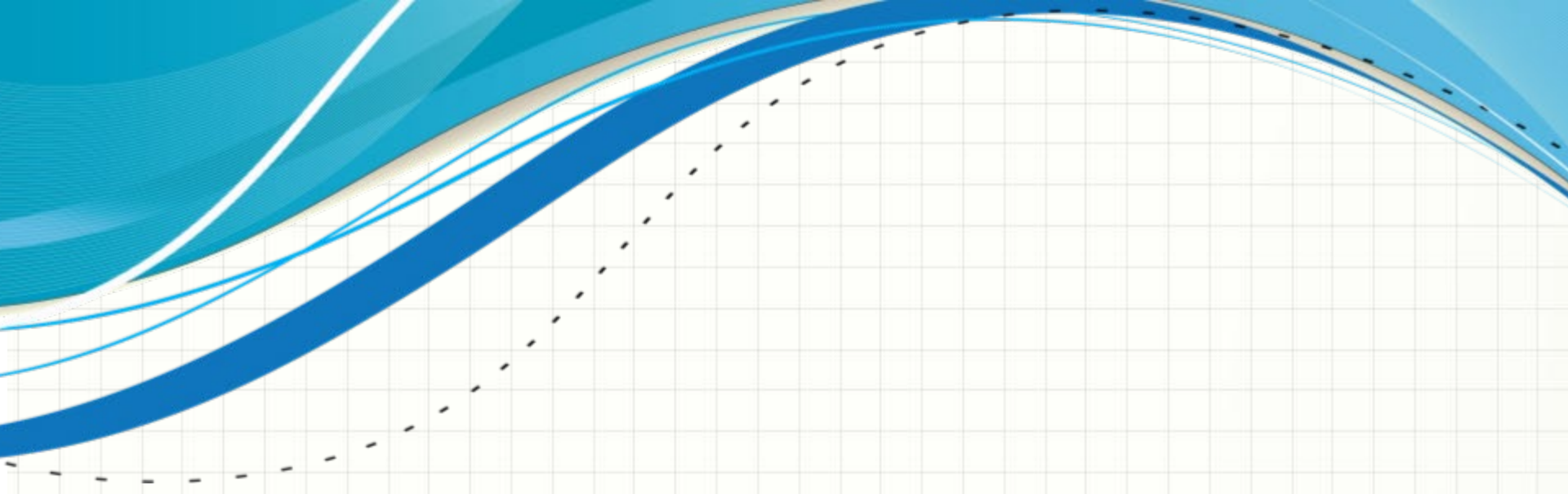
Budget

	FY 19 Actual	FY 20 Budget	FY 20 Actual (12/31)
Revenues	\$4,928,339	\$5,271,774.63	\$2,994,582
Expenditures	<u>\$3,904,045</u>	<u>\$5,961,590.00</u>	<u>\$2,965,035</u>
Net	\$1,024,293	\$ (689,815.37)	\$ 29,547

- FY 2020- 2021
 - Budget Preparation April 2020
 - Interim Budget due June 1, 2020
 - Board review of budget early July 2020
 - Final Budget due July 31, 2020

Project Funding

- State Funding
 - NMED \$4,900,000 (Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades)
 - Colonias \$2,035,868 (Wastewater Collection System – San Ysidro Area)
 - Colonias \$225,000 (Wastewater Design – DA Village System Rehab)
- Federal Funding
 - United States Department of Agriculture \$4,636,455 (Radium Springs Improvement Project)



LITIGATION REPORT

JOSH SMITH, WATSON SMITH, LLC



WATER CONSERVATION PRESENTATION

**DR. PAUL MAXWELL,
DISTRICT 5 BOARD MEMBER**

WATER CONSERVATION

WORKING TOGETHER TO SUSTAIN THIS VITAL RESOURCE



Dona Ana Mutual Domestic Water
Consumers Association

Presented by
Dr. Paul Maxwell
Board Member

WATER CONSERVATION

- In our Southwestern communities **water is a precious commodity** that must be carefully husbanded and conserved to ensure we have adequate supplies well into the future.
- While **current water supplies are adequate** for our current needs this **may not be the case in the future**. As such we must look for various ways of sustaining those supplies.
- **Water conservation** represents one of the best ways to provide for our future needs.

SAVING WATER, SAVES MONEY!



WATER CONSERVATION SUCCESSES

- Other communities have instituted conservation policies and programs that have significantly reduced their per-person water consumption.
 - For instance, El Paso, since 1985, after introducing water conservation as a focused effort has successfully **reduced their per-person consumption by more than 35%**, going from 205 gallons per person per day (GPCD) to 128 GPCD in 2019.
 - Alamogordo has had similar success going from 261 GPCD to 121 GPCD by 2004.
- We hope to have similar results as we look to focus on water conservation programs and goals for Dona Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association.

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Our Commitment  Our Profession

Dona Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association Committed to Our Customers

At Dona Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, our vision is to be the champion in ensuring quality of life for a greater community by providing, protecting, and extending water and sanitation services through excellence in leadership. We are committed to providing quality water and sanitation services for members of our community.

Healthy Lawns
August 01, 2019

Lush green lawns, bright colorful flower gardens, bountiful vegetable harvests – these add beauty and enjoyment to your home. We all love healthy lawns. What are some good practices that help promote healthy lawns, and conserve our nature resources, such as water? How can you water wisely? Mow wisely?

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8/26/2019 Bills Due
Any unpaid balances will be assessed a 10% penalty. Please contact our office before 3:00pm to make a payment. You can also go online and pay your account through our website.

9/5/2019 Regular Board Meeting
The meeting begins at 9:00 am. The meeting agenda is available 72 hours prior to the meeting. If you would like to obtain a copy of the agenda please call (575) 526-3491 or it can be downloaded from our website.

9/19/2019 Regular Board Meeting
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Recent News [View All](#)

Consumer Confidence Reports
(7/8/2019) The current Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR) have been posted to our website. The information contained in consumer confidence reports (CCR) can raise your awareness of where your water comes from, help you to understand the process by which safe drinking...

03/13/2019 - Reminder - Scheduled Water Outage in Radium Springs
(3/13/2019) Residents will experience a water outage, possible low water pressure, and discolored water from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 13, 2019, while we begin to transfer some of the new water lines online. This outage will affect all homes in Radium S...

Annual Membership Meeting Reminder
(1/30/2019) The Board of Directors would like to remind our membership of the upcoming Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Dona Ana Elementary School. The meeting will include reports on any current issues regarding the As...

Pages of Interest

- Dona Ana County
- Water Conservation
- Dona Ana County
- City of Las Cruces
- New Mexico Rural Water
- NM Office of the State Engineer
- NM 811 Call Before you Dig - It's the LAW!
- Drinking Water Bureau, NMED
- Environmental Protection Agency

Contact Information

After Hours Contact 575-644-4027

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Email Us



USE OUR WEBSITE TO COMMUNICATE ABOUT WATER CONSERVATION

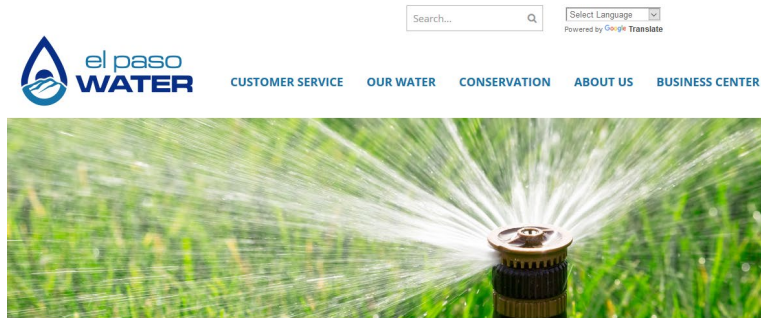


WE WILL INTRODUCE NEW INFORMATION PAGES ON OUR WEBSITE

- Water Conservation History
- Indoor Tips
- Outdoor Tips
- Voluntary Watering Schedule
- Commercial and Institutional
- Workshops and Events
- Resources



PROVIDE EASY ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON THE WEB



CONSERVATION

- Our History of Conservation
- Conservation Heroes
- Indoor Tips
- Outdoor Tips
- Conservation Ordinance
- Report Water Waste
- Commercial / Institutional Resources

Home / Conservation



Conservation

Here in the Chihuahuan Desert, our economy and quality of life depend on good conservation practices that ensure water sustainability for future generations. That's why El Paso adopted a Conservation Ordinance decades ago that sets limits on outdoor watering.

Conservation helps preserve our local aquifers for future generations. It also helps keep water rates down by delaying big investments needed for new and more expensive water supplies.

From irrigation adjustments to fixing leaky faucets, see our tips for simple ways to conserve water inside and outside your home or business.

Report Water Waste	Conservation Ordinance	Finding Leaks
Conservation Plan	Citations	Commercial/Institutional

 Indoor Tips	 Outdoor Tips	 Desert Blooms: Water Smart Plants & Gardens
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Home / Conservation / Indoor Tips

Indoor Tips

Reduce Home Water Use



Sign up for monthly tips and we'll send you an email with seasonal tips that will help you save water... and money!

In the Kitchen



USE A DISHWASHER

Dishwashers typically use less water than washing dishes by hand. Choose an Energy Star dishwasher and save even more water and energy.



DAILY CONTAINER

Select one glass or a refillable water bottle for your drinking water each day. This will cut down on the number of glasses to wash.



SOAK DISHES

Soak pots and pans instead of letting the water run while you scrape them clean.



COMPOST WASTE

Use the garbage disposal sparingly. Instead, compost appropriate vegetable food waste for your garden and save water.



THAWING FOOD

Don't use running water to thaw food. Defrost food in the refrigerator or use a microwave.



WHEN TO USE DISHWASHER

Run your dishwasher only when it's full.



In the Bathroom



TOILET LEAKS

Toilet leaks can be silent! Be sure to test your toilet for leaks at least once a year.



HAND WASHING

When washing your hands, turn the water off while you lather.



AERATORS

Install water-saving aerators on all of your faucets.



BRUSHING TEETH

Turn off the water while you brush your teeth and save up to 200 gallons a month.



PLUG SINK TO SHAVE

Plug the sink instead of running the water while you shave and save up to 300 gallons a month.



SHORTER SHOWERS

A 10-minute shower can use up to 25 gallons of water. Cut that in half with 5-minute showers.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EPA WEB RESOURCES



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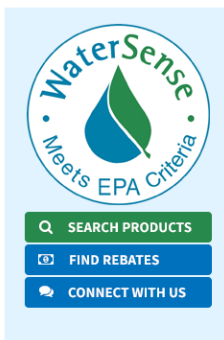



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2018 Accomplishments

WaterSense has helped consumers and businesses save TRILLIONS of gallons of water. [Read the report!](#)



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Showerheads



Showering is one of the leading ways we use water in the home, accounting for nearly 17 percent of residential indoor water use—for the average family, that adds up to nearly 40 gallons per day. That's nearly 1.2 trillion gallons of water used in the United States annually just for showering, or enough to supply the water needs of New York and New Jersey for a year! By retrofitting your shower with a WaterSense labeled showerhead, you can save a considerable amount of this water.

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Overview

Water Savings

Specification

INTRODUCE A NEW, **VOLUNTARY** WATERING SCHEDULE

- Seasonal Watering Schedule (April through September)
- Alternate Days for Watering/ restricted times
- Based on Home Addresses (Even / Odd)
- No watering on Mondays
- Hand watering unrestricted



Watering Schedule

EVEN Address	ODD Address	EVEN Address	ODD Address	EVEN Address	ODD Address
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY

No residential watering on Monday.
APRIL 1 - SEPTEMBER 30
WATER BEFORE 10AM - AFTER 6PM

A WORK IN PROGRESS

WE ARE LOOKING
AT VARIOUS IDEAS

- Create Water Conservation Kits—sell at cost to members
- Use Social Media with short videos of “how-to”, behind the scenes of operations staff at work
- Promote Water Conservation through education—school science fairs, special projects/workshops with local schools
- Develop Water Conservation Plan/Goals—5 years, 10 years
- Partner with State, Local and Private government/businesses—grants, alternative funds

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DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS





PUBLIC INPUT

**LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER PERSON
ITEM MUST NOT BE ON THE AGENDA**



ADJOURNMENT

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!!