



CENTENNIAL
WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT



HIGHLANDS RANCH
Metro District

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Request an absentee ballot for May 5 elections

The Highlands Ranch Metro District and Centennial Water & Sanitation District encourage eligible electors to request an absentee ballot by submitting a completed absentee ballot application. The applications are due by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, to vote in the upcoming May 5 elections. With the current stay-at-home order from the state, and the public health concerns surrounding COVID-19, both districts encourage electors to consider voting via mail instead of traveling to a polling place on May 5.

“With the health of the community in mind, we invite people to complete an absentee ballot application and vote in our elections from the safety of your home,” said John Kaufman, general manager of Centennial Water.

“Each of our districts has election information posted on our respective websites,” added Terry Nolan, general manager of the Metro District. “Electors can visit the websites, learn about each election, and download the absentee ballot applications to submit via mail, email, fax or drop-off.”

Electors need to request separate absentee ballots from each district, that means filling out two absentee ballot applications. Visit centennialwater.org/vote and highlandsranch.org/election to download the applications. All applications must be returned to 62 Plaza Drive by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28.

Centennial Water Inclusion Election

Centennial Water is holding an inclusion election on May 5. Electors will vote whether to include all of the properties located in the Highlands Ranch Metro District and Mirabelle Metropolitan District in the Centennial Water district boundaries. If approved, all residents would have the opportunity to serve as Centennial Water board members in the future.

Highlands Ranch Metro District Board Member Election

The Metro District is holding a director election on May 5. There are currently three seats up for election, all for three-year terms. One seat is up for election in each of the following regions: North Central, Northeast and Southwest. Candidate biographies are available at highlandsranch.org/election.

Electors who do not receive an absentee ballot may still vote in person on Tuesday, May 5 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. at the Hendrick Office Building, 62 Plaza Dr., Highlands Ranch. The districts are coordinating their polling place elections and will follow the CDC’s guidelines for polling place elections during the current coronavirus pandemic. This includes:

- Frequent hand washing, hand sanitizing, etc. by polling workers
- Routine cleaning of frequently-touched surfaces
- Clean and disinfect voting-associated equipment
- Incorporate social distancing strategies for polling place workers and electors
- Increase distance between voting booths

For more information about the upcoming elections, visit highlandsranch.org, centennialwater.org or send an email to info@highlandsranch.org.

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Founded in 1981 as the local government in Highlands Ranch, Colo., the Metro District provides a variety of municipal services to this planned community of 98,000 people. Learn more about the Metro District at www.highlandsranch.org.

Centennial Water & Sanitation District is the water and wastewater utility in Highlands Ranch. Centennial Water provides high quality water through the Joseph B. Blake Water Treatment Plant located in Highlands Ranch. Wastewater is treated at the Marcy Gulch Wastewater Treatment Plant to meet stringent water quality standards before it is discharged. Since 1981, Centennial Water has built a reliable and highly-respected water portfolio, based on a conjunctive use system, to serve its customers. Its major water source is surface water from the South Platte River, supplemented with groundwater from deep aquifer wells throughout Highlands Ranch. For more information about Centennial Water & Sanitation District, which serves Highlands Ranch, please visit www.centennialwater.org, or call 303-791-0430.