



CENTENNIAL
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Centennial Water Board of Directors issues drought watch & considering drought water rates

The Centennial Water & Sanitation District Board of Directors, at its April 26 meeting, declared a drought watch for customers in the Centennial Water service area, which includes Highlands Ranch, Solstice and portions of northern Douglas County.

A drought watch was issued because water supplies are below average and forecasts indicate prolonged dryness. The goal of the drought watch stage is to remind customers how important efficient water use is to prevent additional drought measures that could lead to mandatory outdoor water use restrictions.

In addition, Centennial Water is considering drought pricing as part of its Drought Response Plan. The rates would be implemented as part of Stage 1 or Stage 2 drought restrictions once declared by the Centennial Water Board of Directors. The goals of drought pricing are to prioritize indoor water use, reduce outdoor consumption and provide sufficient water supply to maintain the health and safety of the community.

Drought pricing, if implemented in drought stages one of two, is temporary and will be rescinded to 2021 adopted rates as drought restrictions decrease or are eliminated.

A public hearing regarding the proposed drought pricing will be held during the Centennial Water Board of Directors meeting on Monday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend via Zoom. Visit centennialwater.org to view the meeting agenda, which will include a Zoom link.

For water conservation tips and information and to get the latest news from Centennial Water, customers are encouraged to sign up to receive a monthly Water eNewsletter. To sign up, send an email to info@centennialwater.org.

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Centennial Water & Sanitation District is the water and wastewater utility serving Highlands Ranch and Solstice, CO and portions of northern Douglas County. 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. Over the past 40 years, 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 please visit www.centennialwater.org, or call 303-791-0430.