NEWSLETTER

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This month's news for the community is all about water. As you have probably already seen in the local news, Denver Water has declared a Stage 2 drought with mandatory restrictions. Properties like our HOA will only be able to use water on Tuesdays and Fridays. We have applied to Denver Water for more flexibility in these watering days, but do not know if we will be accepted. Denver Water is looking for a 30% reduction in water usage by Commercial and HOA's. This will undoubtedly greatly impact our summer landscaping plans. For that reason, there will be absolutely <u>no</u> new sod replacements or seeding this year. And the restrictions could also impact our plans for the flowerbeds. We will just have to wait and see what the directives are from Denver Water when it comes time to plant flowers. The fines will be substantial and they have added staff to their enforcement division to monitor water use.

To read the full description of the new restrictions you can go to:

http://www.denverwater.org/AboutUs/PressRoom/C0F5F868-ABE9-BCF2-757392232E31B0AE/

The new Hunter ET irrigation system installed last summer is perfectly suited for just this situation. We will continue to make adjustments to the operations of the system for optimal water usage and the highest benefit to the turf. We did get a rebate from Denver Water for this irrigation system last year, and may benefit again this year from the current offers on improvements.

You may want to consider installing water saving devices in your homes as well. Denver Water offers residential rebates for specific conservation efforts by homeowners. You can read all about that at their website: <u>www.denverwater.org</u>

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