

# **Current Events**

**July 2022** 

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#### Office Closures:

The office will be closed on the following dates and times

- Monday, July 4: closed all day in observance of Independence Day
- Monday, July 25: closed all day in observance of Pioneer Day
- Thursday, July 28: closed from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for an employee meeting

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## From Our General Manager and the Mayor





June 29, 2022

Dear Draper Resident:

As water providers for the residents of Draper, we want to alert our customers to the extreme on-going drought conditions prevalent across the state and region. Many of you are asking how you can help.

At the moment, we are not anticipating mandatory water conservation measures for Draper, although we continue to monitor the situation. For now, we would like to ask all of you to help conserve our water supply as best you can. The extremely hot and dry weather has most of us thinking we need to water even more to preserve our landscaping, but there are many ways you can cut back and still preserve both your plants and our water supply.

Here are our recommendations:

- Please water no more than twice weekly.
- Don't water when it's windy.
- Don't water between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Prioritize your watering: trees first, then shrubs, perennials, annuals, and finally grass. Grass is
  resilient and will go dormant (turning brown) during hot, dry weather, then will recover when
  conditions improve.
- Mow your lawn higher: 3-4 inches is recommended for deep roots and better drought tolerance.
- Install a smart irrigation controller (and get a rebate). Go to UtahWaterSavers.com to learn more

We are all in this together! We love our beautiful city and want to preserve it for future generations. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Darrin L. Jensen-Peterson

CEO / General Manager, WaterPro, Inc. / Draper Irrigation Co.

Mayor Troy K. Walker





### Public hearing for culinary water rate increase to be held August 4

WaterPro has filed an application with the state Public Service Commission (PSC) to increase the rates for our culinary water system. As a customer-owned notfor-profit company, we strive to keep our rates affordable. Any request for a rate increase is based on our increasing operating costs and the need to keep our infrastructure in excellent repair in order to serve our customers with the utmost reliability.

A public water system is required to file any request for a rate increase with the PSC. which determines if the increase is justified. The PSC will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 4 at 3:00 p.m. If you would like to participate, you can join via Webex at this link. You can also go to https://psc.utah.gov and select the 3:00 p.m. Virtual Public Witness Hearing for WaterPro's Application for Rate Increase.

Please visit our website, www.waterpro.net, for details about the rate increase.

## Yearly Water Quality Report

Every July the EPA requires water systems that serve the public to issue a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) showing the levels of specified contaminants in that system's drinking water during the past year. As always, WaterPro is happy to report that we provide you with drinking water that falls well within safe ranges for all contaminants tested.

The EPA requires that we include the following language verbatim to accompany this report:

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as those with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Draper Irrigation/WaterPro is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.