



Little Thompson Water District

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FALL 2017 NEWSLETTER

And the winner is...

from the Rocky Mountain Section of the American Water Works Association



Little Thompson Water District wins the Best Water in the Rocky Mountain region

Loveland, Colorado (September 11, 2017) - Who has the tastiest water in the Rocky Mountain region? According to the judges at a taste test at the 2017 Rocky Mountain Section of the American Water Works (RMSAWWA) annual conference in Loveland, Colorado, Little Thompson Water District has the best water in the region. Eight municipalities competed for the title of best drinking water in the mountain west, based on taste, odor and appearance. The winner of this competition will represent the RMSAWWA at the national "Best of the Best" taste test at the AWWA Conference in Las Vegas next June.

Little Thompson provides drinking water to a 300-square mile area in Larimer, Weld and Boulder counties. Taking second in the competition was Aurora Water, with the City of Louisville coming in third.

Judging this year's event were Tyler Silvy with the Greeley Tribune; Charles Lundquist from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); Pinar Omur-Ozbek, an assistant professor of engineering and renowned water expert with Colorado State University; Victor Sam, an engineer with Stantec; and Jeanne Bennett-Bailey, past-president of the American Water Works Association.

The RMSAWWA is the regional section for the AWWA, which is the largest non-profit, science-based organization for drinking water professionals in the world. The RMSAWWA covers Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico and has over 2,400 members, representing water utilities, engineering consultants and water treatment specialty firms.

Fall - Winter Reminders...

During the fall and winter months, help reduce your next year's water use by doing the following:

- ◆ Lawn Aeration: Aerating your lawn allows air, water and nutrients to penetrate the grass roots. This helps the roots grow deeply and produce a stronger lawn.
- ◆ Sprinkler System Maintenance: Prevent leaks in your system by properly disconnecting and draining outdoor hoses. A hard freeze can burst either the faucet or the connecting pipe.
- ◆ Pipes: Insulate pipes or faucets in unheated areas of your home. Wrap your water pipes in the attic, unheated garage or cold crawl space under the house. Pipe wrapping materials can be found at hardware or building supply stores.
- ◆ Master Shutoff Valve: Know where your master shutoff valve is in your home. If a pipe bursts in your house – kitchen, bath, basement or crawl space – this valve shuts it off.

Caring for Trees in a Dry Climate:



- ◆ During prolonged dry periods in the fall and winter, water two to three times per month. Water only when the temperature is above 40 degrees and no snow cover exists. If watering, deep watering trees to a depth of 12 inches below the soil surface is recommended.

2018 Budget

The Board will hold the required Public Hearing on the 2018 Budget at their November 16, 2017 Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the District office at 835 E State Highway 56, Berthoud. All Board Meetings are open to the public.



Beware – Payment Fraud

Several customers recently reported being directed to a bill payment site called Doxo.docx to make their LTWD water payment and were charged \$10.00. This site is fraudulent. Xpress Bill Pay (XBP) is our third-party vendor for making your water bill payments. There are no fees to use this service. The XBP link can be found on the home page of our website at www.ltwd.org.



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LTWD Election 2018

Little Thompson Water District (District) operates as a Special District in the State of Colorado under Article 1 of Title 32 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, which is the general source of most of the statutory authorization including elections. Regular Special District Board Elections are held on the Tuesday following the first Monday of May in even-numbered years. Next election: May 8, 2018.

The Board of Directors (Board) is composed of seven members who represent seven designated Wards within the District. **Below is LTWD's Director Boundary Map** listing the current Board members and their respective Wards. For the May 2018 Election, the following seats are up for election: Ward II, Ed Martens; Ward III, Bill Szmyd; Ward IV, Bill Prewitt; Ward V, Steven Brandenburg; and Ward VII, Larry Brandt.

The Call for Nominations notice will be published the first part of January 2018. To qualify to serve and vote, a person must be a registered elector in Colorado, and resides within the District, or owns (or whose spouse owns) taxable real or personal property within the District. Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. and are open to the public.

